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YOUNG ELIZABETH HISTORIC PULLOUT



HARRY UNIFORM BAN AT FUNERAL

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By ROBIN PERRIE

SOMBRE King Charles keeps vigil at his mother's coffin last night — her crown pictured poignantly above his head.

He led his siblings the Princess Royal, the Earl of Wessex and the Duke of York for the historic Vigil of the Princes ceremony.

They spent ten minutes of deep reflection at the sides of the oak coffin in St Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh, where the public began paying their respects.

Her Majesty's body will be flown to London later today.

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THE KING'S VIGIL



ELIZABETH II: 1926-2022

By ROBIN PERRIE, in Edinburgh,
and MATT WILKINSON, Royal Editor

KING Charles stood in silent reflection last night as he led his siblings in the Vigil of the Princes by his mother's coffin.

Charles, the Princess Royal, the Duke of York and the Earl of Wessex took their places for ten minutes at its sides.

They stood with four members of the Royal Company of Archers who were dressed in long-feathered hats and armed with arrows.

A procession of people queuing to view the coffin in St Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh, was paused to allow the royals to take their places.

Once they were by the coffin, the public were allowed back in.

They continued to file past in respectful silence looking over at the Queen's coffin while the King and his three siblings, sadness etched on their faces, stood by it.

The King kept his hands joined and looked towards the floor as members of the public filed past.

The Duke of York had his eyes closed for a while during the vigil, while the Princess Royal, the first woman to take part in the ceremony, and brother Edward also had their eyes fixed on the floor.

The Queen Consort sat nearby during the ten-minute ceremony.

When their vigil was over, the King led his sister and two brothers out through the nave of St Giles'.

Crowds of mourners broke into sympathetic applause as they left.

The Vigil of the Princes tradition began in 1936 when the then King



Reflection... Charles and family

Edward VIII and his three brothers – Princes Albert, later King George VI, Henry and George – wore full military uniforms to stand guard at the coffin of their late father King George V in Westminster Hall.

The public had been paying their respects all day but were prevented from entering the hall for 15 minutes to give the King's sons private time for reflection.

The second Vigil of the Princes occurred following the death of the Queen Mother on April 8, 2002.

Her four grandsons – Prince Charles, Prince Andrew, Prince Edward and David Armstrong-Jones – took their place at her side, also in Westminster Hall.

The vigil for the Queen began at 7.47pm, shortly after the cathedral doors opened to the public at the start of the 24 hours during which they could view the coffin.

Thousands queued for hours – some since 7am – to claim their place in the line.

After hours of waiting, well-wishers were led through a security tent to be searched before heading into the cathedral to pay their respects.

Mourners, split into two lines inside the cathedral, were asked to pass the coffin without pausing to allow as many people as possible to do so. Filming or taking pictures was not allowed.

They saw the Queen's oak coffin draped in the Royal Standard of Scotland and with a single wreath and the crown of Scotland on top.

The crown of Scotland was remade for King James V of Scotland in 1540 and is among the oldest of the crown jewels.

Sharon O'Neill, from Airdrie, was one of the first inside the cathedral. She said: "It was stunning, it really was, but also very sad, and a very poignant moment."

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QUEEN'S



KING CHARLES



PRINCESS ANNE



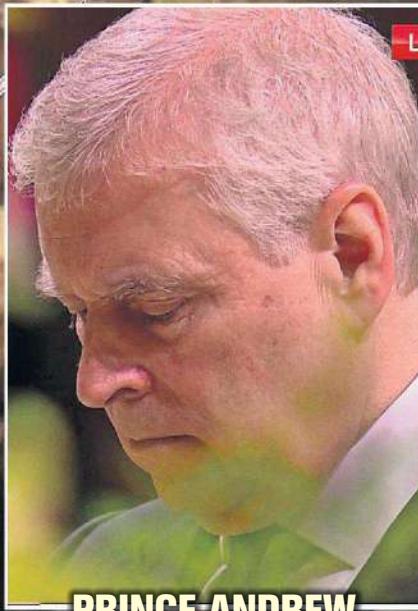
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SOLEMN VIGIL AT COFFIN

CHILDREN



IN GRIEF



Service... prince

Military garb not allowed for Harry

By MATT WILKINSON

PRINCE Harry will not be allowed to wear military uniform for the Queen's funeral ceremonies – but disgraced Prince Andrew has been granted one exception.

The Duke of York, 62, wore a morning suit and medals yesterday when he walked behind his mother's coffin at the Royal Family procession in Edinburgh.

Andy and Harry, 37, have both served in conflict zones, but were stripped of their military titles and patronages by the Queen.

Only working members of the Royal Family can wear their military attire at the ceremonial events – including the Queen's funeral at Westminster Abbey on Monday.

But Falklands veteran Andrew has been handed an exception when he joins a family vigil for his mother's coffin in London later this week.

Palace sources say permission has been granted to Andy as a "final mark of respect" to his mother.

It is thought likely to be the full military dress uniform of Vice Admiral of the Navy – the only military rank which he still holds.

The Duke of Sussex served two tours of Afghanistan, but was stripped of military titles in the Megxit settlement.

The Queen removed Andrew's colonelcy of the Grenadier Guards when he was accused of sex abuse in a US court.

All Royal Family members agreed to wear morning suits at Prince Philip's funeral last year, to spare Harry's blushes.

But this time, senior royals – including the King, Prince of Wales William, Princess Anne and Prince Edward – will wear their ceremonial military garb.

A palace source said: "As a non-working member of the Royal Family, the Duke of York will not wear uniform, except as a special mark of respect for Her Majesty the Queen at the final vigil in Westminster Hall."

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MOMENT OF

Kilted King's first speech to Scots MPs



Charles . . . at Scots parliament

By MATT WILKINSON

THE King wore a kilt and quoted Robert Burns as he spoke to Scottish MPs for the first time as monarch.

His Majesty yesterday paid tribute to his late mother the Queen in the Scottish Parliament and praised her life of "incomparable service".

He said: "If I might paraphrase the words of the great Robert Burns, my dear mother was the friend of man, the friend of truth, the friend of age and guide of youth. Few hearts like hers with virtue warmed, few heads with knowledge so informed."

The quote was taken from 18th century Scottish poet Burns's Epitaph On My Own Friend.

The King went on to say: "While very young, the Queen pledged herself to serve her country and her people and to maintain the principles of constitutional government. As we now



Royal visit . . . with Queen Consort

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The crown of Scotland set on her coffin

REST IN P



MOMENT OF REFLECTION

The King appears lost in thought as he walks past coffin

THE crown of Scotland was reverently placed on the Queen's coffin yesterday at the first formal service to mark her death.

King Charles, Princess Anne plus Princes Edward and Andrew watched the solemn ceremony.

The service of prayer and reflection took place at Edinburgh's St Giles' Cathedral, where the Queen was crowned in Scotland in 1953.

The four siblings had earlier followed the hearse in a 30-minute walk from Holyrood Palace, flanked by thousands of onlookers.

As the cortège arrived at the church, eight kilted soldiers from the Royal Regiment of Scotland carefully lifted the coffin out of the

By ROBIN PERRIE
at St Giles' service

vehicle before carrying it inside. The coffin, draped in the Royal Standard of Scotland and topped with a wreath made of Balmoral heather, was rested on a raised catafalque, where it is to lay for a day so the public can pay their respects.

The King — beside Camilla, Queen Consort who wore a diamond thistle brooch given to her by the late monarch — took centre stage in the royal line with Anne and husband Sir Timothy Laurence to his left.

To the King's right was Andrew and Edward and his wife Sophie. They looked on as the crown of Scotland — usually kept at Edinburgh Castle — was placed on the

HISTORY AT FIRST SERVICE



FACE, MAMA

coffin by the 16th Duke of Hamilton, Scotland's highest-ranking peer.

Opening the service, Rev Calum MacLeod said: "And so we gather to bid Scotland's farewell to our late monarch, whose life of service to the nation and the world we celebrate. And whose love for Scotland was legendary."

He spoke to a congregation made up of people from all walks of life, including the armed forces, emergency services and staff at Balmoral.

Scotland's First Minister Nicola Sturgeon sat close to PM Liz Truss while veteran political attendees included Gordon Brown, Alex Salmond and Lord Steel.

Ms Sturgeon gave a reading from Ecclesiastes, beginning "For everything a season" and reminding us that "all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil".

She had earlier paid tribute, say-

ing: "In an ever-changing world, especially in turbulent times, Her Majesty was the great constant – the anchor of our nation. We stand ready to support His Majesty as he continues his own life of service."

Bouquets of white lilies and roses decorated the church, as sunlight streamed through its windows.

The Church of Scotland's Rt Rev Dr Iain Greenshields said: "Most of us cannot recall a time when she was not our monarch.

"She has been a constant in our lives for more than 70 years.

"She possessed a sharp intelligent mind, a kindly heart and a gentle sense of humour. Today we mourn her passing but we also celebrate the long and happy reign.

"King Charles will surely draw strength from his mother's example."

There was also a plea to maintain Commonwealth ties from Samuel

Nwokoro, a student from Nigeria. He said: "We pray for wisdom to become worthy stewards of your good gifts."

"Give to us a constant concern for the Earth and all its creatures, a spirit of understanding in our dealings with others, and keep the nations of our Commonwealth united in bonds of cooperation and friendship."

Members of the Royal Company of Archers, in long-feathered hats and armed with arrows and quivers, then stood guard beside the Queen.

The congregation bowed and curtsied as it filed past the coffin, which will stay there until this evening.

Outside, the huge crowds still gathered on the Royal Mile waited patiently for Charles.

And as he emerged in the bright Scottish sunshine, applause broke out for our new monarch.

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TOGETHER IN GRIEF

Royals at cathedral service for the Queen, led by Charles, centre

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THOUSANDS



By OLIVER HARVEY, Chief Feature Writer
in Edinburgh, and ROBIN PERRIE

WALKING solemnly behind his late mother's coffin, King Charles III would have heard little but the clip-clop of horses' hooves on cobbled stones.

Crammed 12-deep on either side of Edinburgh's Royal Mile, the massed crowds hushed as the cortège – led by two black police horses – neared.

Selfie sticks were raised, miniature Union Flags fluttered and cameras clicked. Then, spontaneously, a round of applause broke the silence.

The King, in full Field Marshal's regalia, appeared a little moist-eyed at times at the public's clear affection for his family.

In the crowd, in tam o' shanter cap, his service medals proudly displayed on his chest, ex Black Watch Lance Corporal Ben Tawake also seemed close to tears.

Born in Fiji, Ben, 48, said: "I came to say a last goodbye to Her Majesty. "I was given the opportunity to come to Britain and serve in her Armed Forces. It gave me a life."

Another mourner, retired teacher John Burleigh, 69, wearing Union Flag underpants under a blue tartan kilt, said he believes Scotland's prominent part in mourning the Queen will strengthen the Union.

The grandad, from Greenock, West Scotland, said: "In death she's helping bring Scotland, England and Wales closer together.

"It will make Scotland wake up and think, 'What are we doing? Why are we thinking of breaking away from our heritage, our unity?'

The King had followed his mother's Scottish oak casket up the Royal Mile alongside sister Anne and brothers Andrew and Edward. Camilla, the Queen Consort, and Sophie Wessex looked sorrowfully on, in a car following behind.

The day began with the plaintive lament from a lone piper high on craggy Arthur's Seat which overlooks Holyrood Palace where the Queen had lain overnight. In her tartan finery, piper Louise Marshall, 53, said later: "It's really special to be here. It's a lovely atmosphere."

Shortly after 2.35pm, the Queen's casket had been lowered into the hearse to the strains of the national anthem and the procession began.

Accompanying elder brother Charles, Anne, Andrew and Edward marched forlornly for 1,200 yards behind their beloved mother.

Andrew was not in military uniform after being stripped of his titles due to the Jeffrey Epstein scandal. A man yelled at him: "You're a sick old man." A mourner grabbed the heckler, who was led away by cops and arrested for a breach of the peace.

The sombre scene was punctuated by a 21-gun salute as the late Queen neared St Giles' Cathedral.

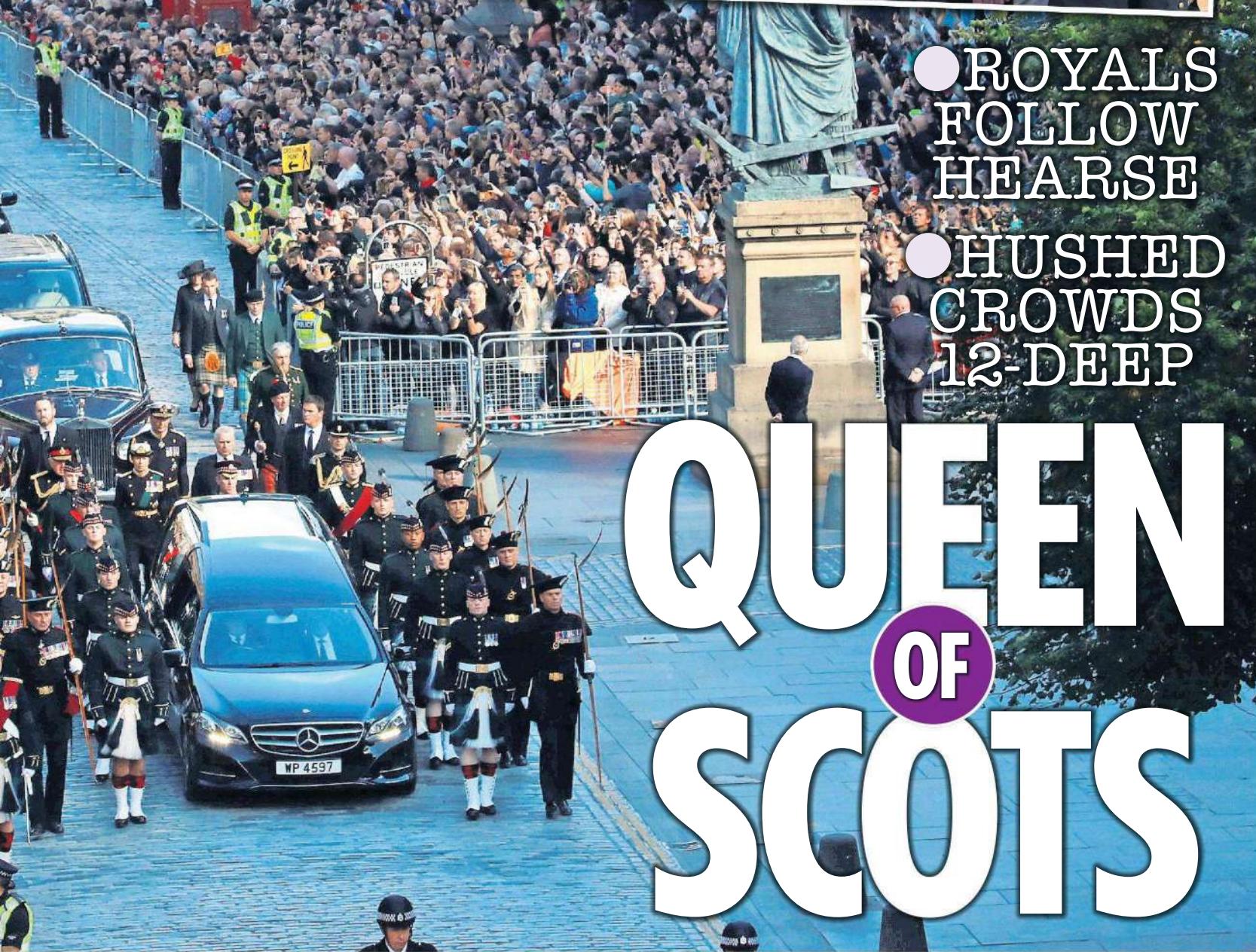
Now there was more applause and more shouts of "God Save the Queen" and "God Save the King".

People gasped at their walk-on part in history. The day they saw a King honour his late mother.

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SOLEMN VOW

Two thrones...
Charles & Camilla

She set an example of selfless duty which I am resolved to follow

By RYAN SABEY
Deputy Political Editor

KING Charles III shed a single tear yesterday as he listened to Lords and politicians sing the National Anthem after he had vowed to faithfully follow the Queen's "selfless duty".

The grieving monarch, 73, welled up as the 900 people gathered belted out God Save the King at historic Westminster Hall following his heartfelt address to them.

In it, the monarch – who had arrived to a fanfare of trumpeters on a occasion rich in history, pomp and pageantry – praised his beloved late mother and her "dedicated service" during her 70-year reign.

Accompanied by Queen Consort, Camilla, 75, King Charles arrived at the hall – where the late Queen's body will lie in state – to hear the condolences of Lords and MPs.

Commons Speaker Sir Lindsay Hoyle told him: "Deep as our grief is, we know yours is deeper."

"We know that there is nothing we can say in the praise of our late Queen, your mother, that you will not already know."

Despite his anguish, the King smiled when Sir Lindsay recalled a visit by the Queen to Westminster Hall to mark the 300th anniversary of the 1688 Glorious Revolution.

It represented a shift to Parliamentary rule and The Speaker joked: "It is perhaps very British to celebrate revolutions by presenting an address to Her Majesty."

Lord Speaker John McFall hailed the Queen's "untiring endeavours for the welfare of her peoples and her fortitude in adversity".

He said: "Her late Majesty's joyous, unstinting and reassuring presence... made it difficult to contemplate that her long and inspiring reign of deep and unparalleled devotion would ever end."

"We and the nation closed our eyes to this inevitability."

King Charles replied: "I am deeply

THE KING OF TEARS

Charles wells up at National Anthem

grateful for the Addresses of Condolence, which so touchingly encompass what our late Sovereign, my beloved mother, meant to us all."

He went on: "We gather today in remembrance of the remarkable span of the Queen's dedicated service to her nations and peoples."

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vow she kept with unsurpassed devotion. She set an example of selfless duty which, with God's help and your counsels, I am resolved faithfully to follow."

The monarch had earlier spoken of the "weight of history" he felt in the hall, which in 1649 saw the trial of King Charles I, who was subsequently beheaded.

He mentioned its "tangible connections" to his late mother, including a fountain, sundial and stained glass window which respectively

marked her Silver, Golden and Diamond Jubilees. He referred to Big Ben in Elizabeth Tower – also named for the late Queen's Diamond Jubilee. It will mark her coffin's progress from Buckingham Palace to the hall tomorrow.

The final act of the Presentation of Addresses ceremony was the National Anthem. Among those at the proceedings, which lasted around 40 minutes, were PM Liz Truss and predecessor Boris Johnson.

Mr Johnson later revealed the late Queen had been "absolutely on it" when they met two days before her death. He said the late monarch was still focused on domestic and global politics.

He said: "She seemed very bright, very focused. Look, she was clearly not well. I think that was the thing I found so moving when we all heard about her death."

"I just thought how incredible that her sense of duty had kept her going in the way that it had."

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TO FOLLOW MOTHER'S DUTY

THE KING'S SPEECH

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons: I am deeply grateful for the Addresses of Condolence by the House of Lords and the House of Commons, which so touchingly encompass what our late Sovereign, my beloved mother the Queen, meant to us all.

As Shakespeare says of the earlier Queen Elizabeth, she was "a pattern to all princes living".

As I stand before you today, I cannot help but feel the weight of history which surrounds us and which reminds us of the vital Parliamentary traditions to which Members of both Houses dedicate yourselves, with such personal commitment for the betterment of us all.

Parliament is the living and breathing instrument of our democracy. That your traditions are ancient we see in the construction of this great hall and the reminders of mediaeval predecessors of the office to which I have been called.

And the tangible connections to my darling late mother we see all around us; from the fountain in New Palace Yard which commemorates the late Queen's Silver Jubilee to the sundial in Old Palace Yard for the Golden Jubilee, the magnificent stained glass window before me for the Diamond Jubilee and, so poignantly and yet to be formally unveiled, your most generous gift to Her late Majesty to mark the unprecedented Platinum Jubilee which we celebrated only three months ago, with such joyful hearts.

The great bell of Big Ben – one of the most powerful symbols of our nation throughout the world and housed within the Elizabeth Tower also named for my mother's Diamond Jubilee – will mark the passage of the late Queen's progress from Buckingham Palace to this Parliament on Wednesday.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons: We gather today in remembrance of the remarkable span of the Queen's dedicated service to her nations and peoples. While very young, Her late Majesty pledged herself to serve her country and her people and to maintain the precious principles of constitutional government which lie at the heart of our nation. This vow she kept with unsurpassed devotion.

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Mournful... tear
on King's cheek

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**HIS MAJESTY**

THE **Sun** SAYS

Just a son . . . lost in his grief

FOR a few minutes yesterday it was easy to forget Charles is our King. Walking slowly behind the Queen's coffin, he was merely a son lost in his grief.

For all his new status, his uniform and the finery of the Royal siblings alongside him, they were briefly just three brothers and a sister – united, equal and in lock-step – honouring the mother they loved.

As the hearse made its sedate progress to St Giles' Cathedral a lone voice arose above the murmur of the crowd packed into Edinburgh's narrow Royal Mile. "God bless the Queen!" came the shout.

Later, as Charles left the thanksgiving service to rapturous applause, another called out: "God save the King!"

Scotland's nationalists profit from convincing the public they are a neglected outpost of Britain. They even pretend a majority are itching for independence. On yesterday's evidence it is all nonsense.

The Queen adored Scotland. She died at Balmoral, her favourite home, in the Highlands. Scotland has rightly been the focal point of the last five tumultuous days, with its politicians, institutions and regiments in key roles.

Swiftly silenced

The vast numbers paying their respects give the lie to the claim that the popularity of our monarchy – the glue which binds Britain – is fading there.

Scots have done the Queen proud. And their front-row seat during this historic week has proved the power of the union.

There have been a few isolated dissenters. One yob was swiftly silenced as he abused Andrew. No one should harangue a son mourning his mother.

But we are still troubled by police prosecuting a protester over a placard. That smacks of over-reach.

Most demonstrators may grow up to rue their actions at this most solemn of moments. That is more than can be said of some on the Left, mainly in America.

Since Brexit some commentators have made careers from trashing Britain, our people, politics, economy and even food.

Now, on TV and in once-proud newspapers, they denounce our monarchy and our lost Queen, ludicrously claiming she represented colonialism when in reality she presided over its end.

What is common to them all is total ignorance of Britain, past or present.

They should be ashamed of themselves and their disrespect towards a woman of 96 who was an exemplary monarch and whose funeral will be graced by every world leader worth the name.

Americans deserve better than to be "informed" about our country by infantile culture warriors given platforms by news organisations which should know better.

Steeped in 900 years of history

By PROFESSOR MARK ALMOND, Oxford historian

WESTMINSTER Hall is the theatre where so many historic events of the past 900-plus years have been staged.

It dates from the 1090s and survived the Parliament fire in 1834 and the Blitz bombings in World War Two.

Medieval monarchs used it for feasts and grand receptions until warrior king Edward I turned it into the court where treason trials were held.

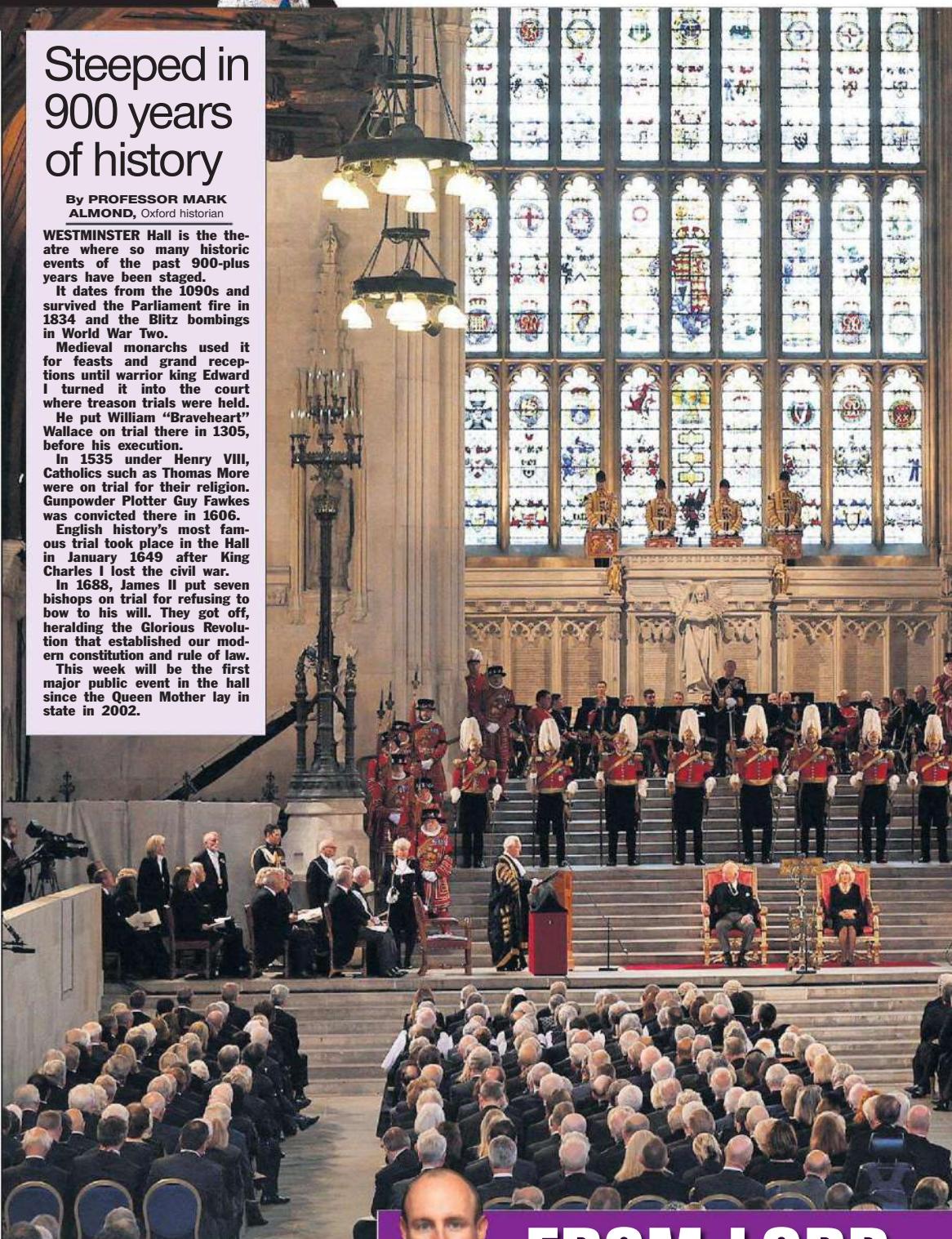
He put William "Braveheart" Wallace on trial there in 1305, before his execution.

In 1535 under Henry VIII, Catholics such as Thomas More were on trial for their religion. Gunpowder Plotter Guy Fawkes was convicted there in 1606.

English history's most famous trial took place in the Hall in January 1649 after King Charles I lost the civil war.

In 1688, James II put seven bishops on trial for refusing to bow to his will. They got off, heralding the Glorious Revolution that established our modern constitution and rule of law.

This week will be the first major public event in the hall since the Queen Mother lay in state in 2002.



MY God, we do these things beautifully in Britain.

First came the Yeomen of the Guard, marching stiffly in their beefeater uniforms, then the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen at Arms, proud and plumed, an ancient unit that last saw action in the English Civil War.

The Band of the Household Cavalry played the kind of music that makes every British heart swell.

Then came the Speakers of the Lords and Commons, preceded by their maces, which were ceremonially draped in cloth for the King's arrival.

It was slightly sad to see that neither man wore his official wig. But I had no time to get huffy about it, for at that moment, a blare of trumpets rang out.

The King and his Queen Consort

mounted the steps to the spot where, in 1649, judges representing what was left of the House of Commons charged the first King Charles with being "a tyrant, traitor, murderer and a public and implacable enemy to the Commonwealth of England".

There, under the oak beams of a thousand-year-old hall, bathed in light from a stained-glass window installed by MPs and peers in 2012 as a gift for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, the third King Charles accepted the Addresses of the Lords and Commons.

It's a ceremony that has, until now, been carried out in private at one of the royal residences. It used to be fashionable to say that the monarchy would struggle after the Queen's death.

In the event, the King could not have

been more regal. He was confident without being cocky, polite without being obsequious, modest without being in the least bit unsure of himself.

He smiled the smile of a man comfortable in his skin and reconciled to the weight he has assumed. He was, in a word, kingly.

We often struggle to imagine people in a new role until they occupy it. It is true of prime ministers and it is true of monarchs. Rituals of the kind we are witnessing this week are an important part of that process.

But it would be a mistake to see the ceremony in Westminster Hall simply as an example of the pomp and flummery that tourists enjoy.

Properly understood, the ceremony exalts our constitution and reminds us of

FROM LORD



ADDRESSES PARLIAMENT

**Under the oak
beams, sunlight
bathed the regal
King...and all our
hearts swelled**



HANNAN, AT WESTMINSTER HALL

who – and of how lucky – we are. Mr Speaker made a well-judged speech recalling the highlights of the Queen's reign, including her celebration of the anniversary of the Glorious Revolution of 1688.

"It is perhaps very British to celebrate revolutions by presenting an address to Her Majesty," he joked, eliciting a smile for our new King.

He added: "But those revolutions led to our constitutional freedoms, set out the foundation for a stable monarchy, which protects liberty."

Indeed. For all the palaces and golden carriages, for all the oaths and military reviews, monarchs have served at our pleasure since 1689. If we chose a different system of government, they would step aside without a cheer of protest. But, precisely for that reason, we don't choose a different system.

It's a paradox – the sovereign is the fount of all authority, yet at the same time the servant of the country. And that arrangement gives us something that republics don't have: a referee above politics, a commander-in-chief who is not a general, a final backstop against coups or civil wars.

It surprised some commentators when the King chose to reign as Charles III. One of the worst-kept secrets in Fleet Street had been that he intended to use one of his middle names, acceding to the throne as George VII.

You could see why he felt that

way. George V and George VI – his great-grandfather and grandfather – were exactly the kind of kings the British like: dim, dull and dutiful. The two Charleses, by contrast, were sly, stubborn and slippery.

Charles I, who wanted to rule without Parliament, was so unwilling to stick to his word that he ended up being put to death.

His son, Charles II, was more charming – he had 14 children by seven mistresses – but was stunningly unpatriotic, at one stage selling British territory to the French so that he wouldn't need to summon a Parliament to raise taxes.

Like his father, he would have ruled as a dictator if he could.

Yet the ceremony that played out

in Westminster Hall yesterday reminded us of something that is often overlooked. When the monarchy was restored 11 years after Charles I's execution, it was Parliament that made the decision. There was a free election, then the new MPs invited Charles II to be king.

The supremacy of Parliament was enshrined in 1689, since when MPs have set the terms of the succession – most recently in 2013, when they changed the rules so that elder daughters should accede to the throne before younger sons.

No one questions their right to set these terms. In reality, Britain is a kind of Crowned Republic.

The new King knows it. In his short but well-judged speech, he

pledged to follow his mother's example and to "maintain the precious principles of constitutional government which lie at the heart of our nation".

What are those principles? That the law applies to everyone equally, including the king. That the people we elect are representatives, not rulers. That those in charge don't get to change the rules as they go along. That we are free to do anything not expressly prohibited.

A constitutional monarch has several jobs. To speak to and for the country. To suffer with us in times of privation, and celebrate with us in times of joy. To preside at ceremonies with dignity. And to protect the constitution, ensuring our democracy and society endure.

Charles III understands those duties very well. God Save the King!



New role ... Prime Minister Liz Truss yesterday



Ceremony ... King Charles and Queen Consort

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HEARTFELT

Granny, thank you for your commitment to service. Thank you for your sound advice. Thank you for your infectious smile

LOYAL PLEDGE TO FATHER

PRINCE Harry has celebrated the Queen's "infectious smile" in a personal message of thanks to the woman he called Granny.

The Duke of Sussex, 37, also saluted her "unwavering grace and dignity" in his heartfelt 229-word tribute yesterday.

And in words seen as an olive branch to estranged father Charles, he pledged to honour him in his new role as King.

The duke missed his grandmother's death as he dashed by jet from Luton Airport to Aberdeen on Thursday.

But in his touching message, he recalled his favourite memories including "the first moment you met my darling wife and hugged your beloved great-grandchildren".

It is believed on the final occasion Harry met the Queen at Windsor Castle during the Platinum Jubilee he introduced her to his one-year-old daughter Lilibet.

Harry, who wrote the tribute from Frogmore Cottage where he is staying with wife Meghan, also offered three thank-yous to the Queen. The third read: "Thank you for your infectious smile."

The California-based couple released the statement yesterday morning on their Archewell website, registered in the US.

It read: "In celebrating the life of my grandmother, Her Majesty The Queen – and in mourning her loss – we are all reminded of the guiding compass she was to so many in her commitment to service and duty. She was globally admired and respected."

"Her unwavering grace and dignity remained true throughout her life and now her everlasting legacy."

"Let us echo the words she spoke after the passing of her husband, Prince Philip, words which can bring comfort to all of us now: 'Life, of course, consists of final partings as well as first meetings.'

"Granny, while this final parting brings us great sadness, I am forever grateful for all of our first meetings – from my earliest childhood memories with you, to meeting you for the first time as my Commander-in-Chief, to the first moment you met my darling wife and hugged your beloved great-

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grandchildren. I cherish these times shared with you, and the many other special moments in between. You are already sorely missed, not just by us, but by the world over."

"And as it comes to first meetings, we now honour my father in his new role as King Charles III."

"Thank you for your commitment to service. Thank you for your sound advice. Thank you for your infectious smile."

"We, too, smile knowing that you and Grandpa are reunited now, and both together in peace."

Harry had been due to release a statement on Sunday but it was postponed for 24 hours.

The new Prince of Wales and King have already released their tributes and other members of the Royal Family are expected to do so throughout this week.

Harry had accused his father of cutting him off financially and criticised his parenting. But his pledge to honour the new King in his tribute to his grandmother is being considered an attempt to patch up relations.

He and Meghan, 41, are holed up at Windsor with a scaled-back team because the Queen died on their final day of a brief UK visit.

An insider said: "They weren't prepared to be thrown back into the royal bubble and into the protocol so are doing their best and waiting to be told what to do."

They accepted an invitation from Prince William to see the flowers left for the Queen outside Windsor Castle and greet well-wishers on Saturday. A royal source insisted:

"The family is united in grief."

But the public return of the so-called Fab Four was arranged as a show of unity for the Queen during a time of mourning and, it is understood, the brotherly rift has not been resolved.

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Show of unity... the 'Fab Four' on Saturday



TRIBUTE FROM HARRY



We now honour my father in his new role as King Charles III



Statement from Prince Harry, The Duke of Sussex:

In celebrating the life of my grandmother, Her Majesty The Queen—and in mourning her loss—we are all reminded of the guiding compass she was to so many in her commitment to service and duty. She was globally admired and respected. Her unwavering grace and dignity remained true throughout her life and now her everlasting legacy. Let us echo the words she spoke after the passing of her husband, Prince Philip, words which can bring comfort to all of us now: "Life, of course, consists of final partings as well as first meetings."

Granny, while this final parting brings us great sadness, I am forever grateful for all of our first meetings—from my earliest childhood memories with you, to meeting you for the first time as my Commander-in-Chief, to the first moment you met my darling wife and hugged your beloved great-grandchildren. I cherish these times shared with you, and the many other special moments in between. You are already sorely missed, not just by us, but by the world over. And as it comes to first meetings, we now honour my father in his new role as King Charles III.

Thank you for your commitment to service.

Thank you for your sound advice.

Thank you for your infectious smile.

We, too, smile knowing that you and grandpa are reunited now, and both together in peace.

PRINCE IS BANNED FROM FAMILY MEAL

PRINCE Harry was banned from a family dinner hours after the Queen died over fears he would blab about it in his forthcoming book.

The Duke of Sussex, 37, arrived too late at Balmoral to see his grandmother alive after being excluded from the royal RAF flight.

Then, he was told he would not be joining his father Charles, William and Camilla for dinner at the new King's home. Instead, he ate in the castle,

below, with Prince Andrew, Princess Anne, Edward and Sophie.

A source said: "He could not be trusted. How do they know he won't write about it? Even if there is no time to update the book he could have told Meghan and it could have been blabbed."

"There was a lot to talk about so it was best to keep it to the King, Queen and heir."



ELIZABETH II: 1926-2022

5-MILE-LONG



Loved... Queen on her 90th

'Travesty' of capital planning

By JACK ELSOM

CIVIL servants have been accused of underestimating the nation's love of the Queen by failing to prepare for the millions set to descend on the capital.

The Sun told yesterday how Whitehall officials were preparing for just 40,000 a day to head to London during the mourning period.

And insiders working on the early plans said some mandarins thought there would be half that amount.

One said: "This is a travesty. They were warned about this and totally underestimated how many people would want to come out."

Plans have been dramatically scaled up in recent days with three million extra visitors now expected in London in the next week.

The PM's spokesperson denied public mood had been misjudged.

They added: "London is going to be extremely busy and there are going to be long queues. Beyond that, I don't have any numbers."



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

Union flags line The Mall leading to the palace



3 MILLION



MORE than three million mourners are expected to visit London this week to pay their respects to the Queen.

But the one million queuing to see Her Majesty's lying-in-state have been told: "Don't turn up early – and no selfies."

Predicted monster crowds have set Whitehall officials working feverishly to pull together a masterplan for the four-day event, beginning at 5pm tomorrow.

But mourners were advised the exact queue route was still being finalised – meaning anyone guessing its starting point could turn up in the wrong place.

By TOM WELLS, ROB PATTINSON and RYAN SABEY

A government source said yesterday: "The key message is don't try to second-guess where the route will start."

"If you turn up early, or in the wrong place at the wrong time, you'll just be sent away."

"Once inside Westminster Hall, people will be told to turn off their phones to ensure the dignity of the event."

"And there must be no photos taken – anyone trying to take a selfie will risk being removed by security."

Huge numbers are expected to try to pay their respects to the Queen at Westminster Hall before its doors close

at 6.30am on Monday. Officials believe the crowd will rival the one million who took to the streets for the 1997 funeral of Diana, Princess of Wales.

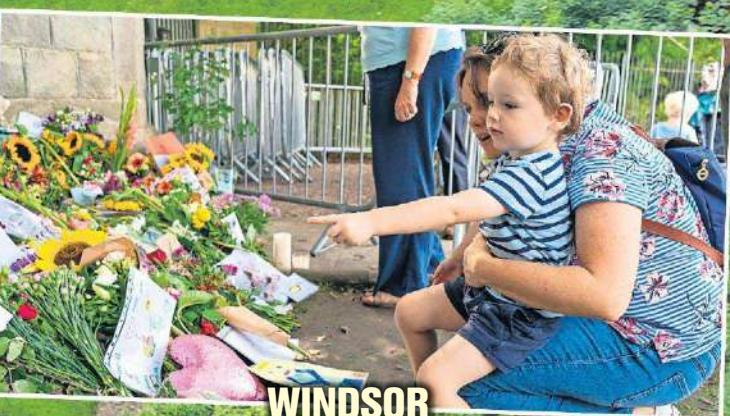
One plan being considered would broadly follow the route taken by 200,000 mourners who queued for the Queen Mother's lying-in-state in 2002.

It snaked back from Westminster, south over Lambeth Bridge and along the Albert Embankment towards the southern end of Westminster Bridge.

But the huge numbers wanting to pay tribute to the Queen mean a longer, five-mile route beginning in Southwark Park is now being considered.

People will be given wristbands as they begin queuing – stopping anyone

QUEUE TO FILE PAST COFFIN



WINDSOR

William and Joanne Smith
admire the floral tributes



Queue . . . Vanessa and Anne

Long wait begins for first in line

By GRANT ROLLINGS

UNDER a lamppost in sight of the Houses of Parliament, the wait to pay respects to the Queen has begun.

Although the doors to Westminster Hall will not open until 5pm tomorrow, one woman was already in line yesterday.

Vanessa Nanthakumaran, 56, is determined not to miss the chance to say goodbye to Britain's longest-serving monarch.

She has only a small, blue bag for snacks and water and a waterproof jacket to protect her from the rain.

For Vanessa, the Queen's passing was an emotional echo of the death of husband Nathan, 54, in June.

The mother of three, from London, said: "I won't leave the position. It is my duty to pay my respects."

Waiting behind her is arch-royalist Anne, 65, from Wales. She said: "To think of the Queen resting there in her coffin will be very difficult. But it is important to pay our respects."

SANDRINGHAM

Sea of flowers left at gates of the royal estate in Norfolk

MOURNERS

from getting others to wait in the line on their behalf. Details of the route will be published on the Government's website at 10pm today.

Under Operation Feather, thousands of police are expected to be called in to oversee the lying-in-state.

New Met Commissioner Sir Mark Rowley yesterday admitted policing the Queen's funeral and its build-up was "a massive challenge". MI5 has also been involved in reviewing the operation.

The route – and that of the Queen's final procession – is being analysed for any signs of vulnerability. And 1,500 soldiers have reportedly been placed on stand-by to help with crowd control.

Official government guidance yester-

day said anyone wanting to pay their respects should expect a long queue.

Those waiting are warned they will have little chance to sit down, while road closures and transport delays will make even getting to the event tricky.

Airport-style security checks and restrictions will greet mourners at Westminster Hall. They will be allowed to take in one small bag no bigger than 40cm x 30cm x 20cm – smaller than a cabin bag permitted by BA or easyJet.

Food and other liquids, flowers and tributes, coolers, hampers, sleeping bags, blankets, folding chairs and non-foldable pushchairs are also banned.

Despite the guidance, royal fans were already beginning to pitch camp outside

Buckingham Palace yesterday. Maria Scott, 51, John Loughrey, 67, and Sky London, 62, will sleep in tents on The Mall until after The Queen's funeral.

Mum-of-two and carer Maria travelled the 245 miles from Gateshead on Thursday. She said: "It's a small price to pay to be here. The Queen has been such a constant presence in our lives. She's got the country through so much."

Retired chef John, of Streatham, South West London, said: "I miss her and miss her presence. She was the mother of the country."

Retired pet shop owner Sky, 62, of Paddington, West London, added: "We just need to say, 'Thank you ma'am'"
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A MINUTE'S

THE nation will come together to mourn Queen Elizabeth II during a minute's silence on Sunday.

Millions are expected to take to their doorsteps at 8pm to pay tribute to Her Majesty, who died peacefully last Thursday, aged 96.

The minute's silence will take place the night before the state funeral at Westminster Abbey on Monday, which King Charles has declared a Bank Holiday.

Here, GRACE MACASKILL gives a day-by-day guide to the major ceremonial events taking place ahead of the funeral.

THIS afternoon the Queen's coffin will be moved from St Giles' Cathedral to Edinburgh Airport by road, and members of the public will be able to view the cortege.

It will be taken by Royal Air Force aircraft to RAF Northolt, West London, and is expected to arrive at 7pm.

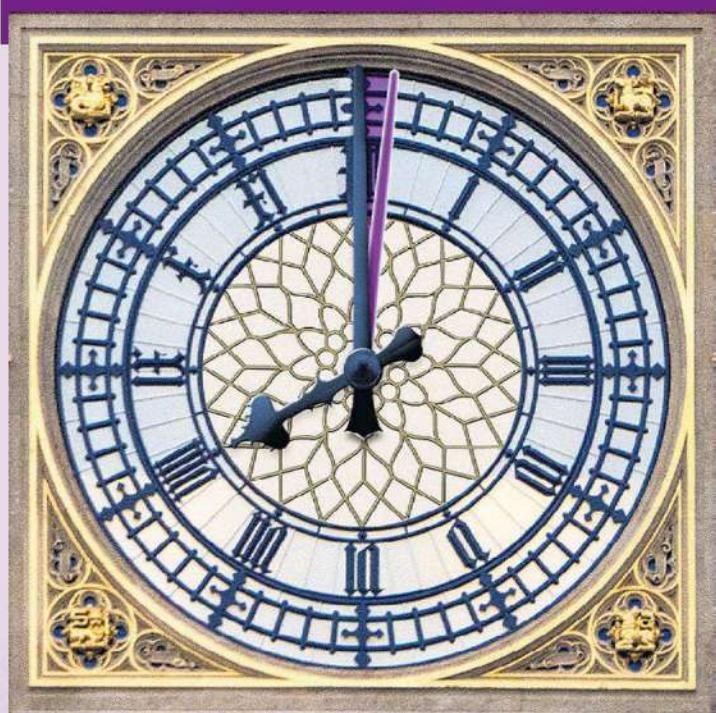
From there it will be taken to Buckingham Palace to rest in the Bow Room.

The Princess Royal, Princess Anne, will accompany the Queen on the journey.

Meanwhile, King Charles and Queen Consort Camilla will visit Belfast to meet the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Chris Heaton-Harris MP, and other party leaders.

They will attend St Anne's Cathedral for a service of prayer before returning to London to meet the Queen's coffin at Buckingham Palace.

TODAY SEPTEMBER 13



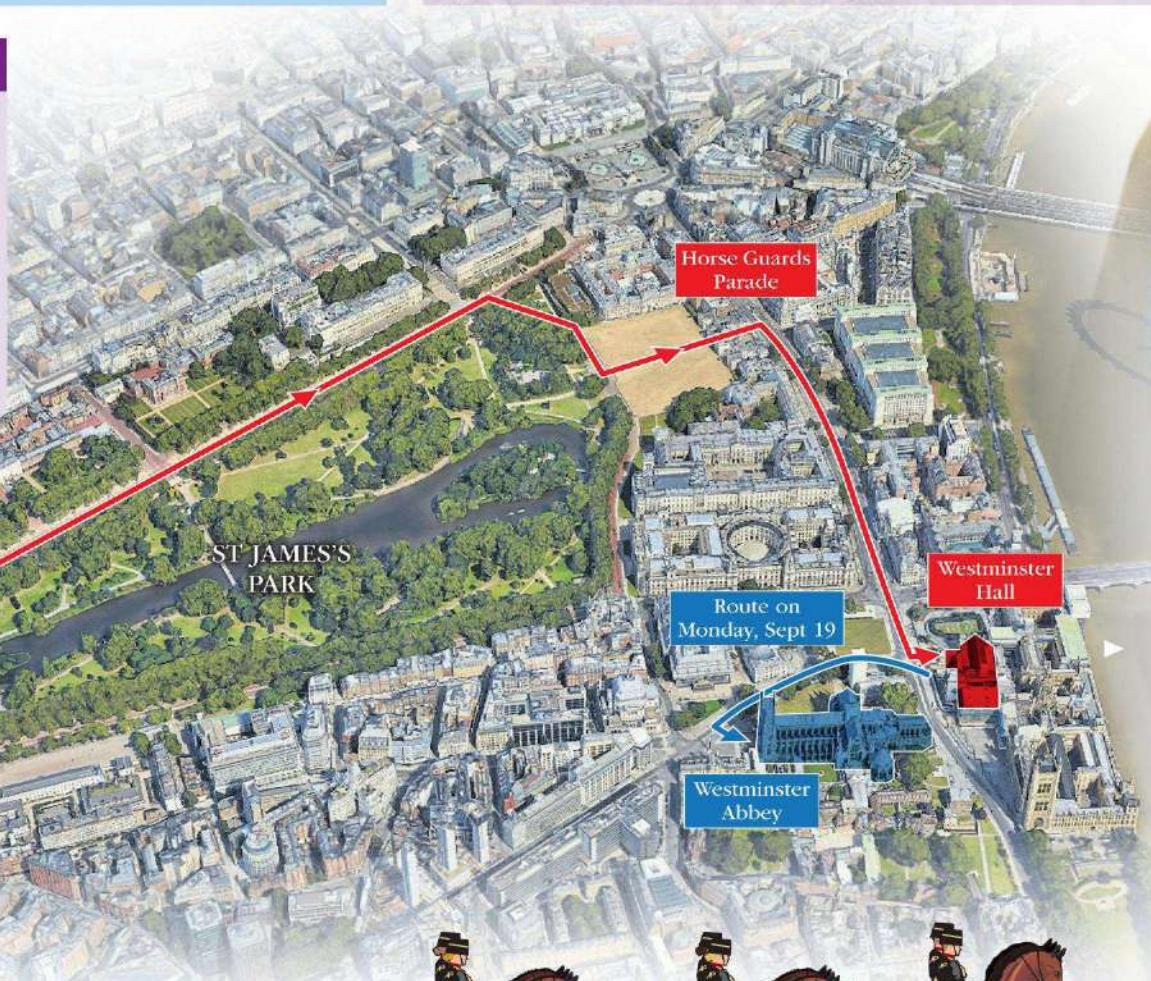
TOMORROW SEPTEMBER 14

AT EXACTLY 2.22pm the coffin will leave Buckingham Palace. King Charles and members of the Royal Family will lead the procession behind the gun carriage of The King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery as it carries the coffin to Westminster Hall.

Crowds will be able to watch as it makes the 38-minute journey along Queen's Gardens, The Mall, Horse Guards and Horse Guards Arch, Whitehall, Parliament Street, Parliament Square and New Palace Yard. Ceremonial viewing areas are being set up along the route, including both sides of The Mall and on the Horse Guards Parade ground, but the public are advised not to turn up until 1pm.

If the zones are full, people will be directed to Hyde Park where they can watch proceedings on a large screen. Screening sites will have toilet access.

The Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby will conduct a short service assisted by The Very Reverend Dr David Hoyle, Dean of Westminster. From 5pm Westminster Hall will be open to the public to pay their respects as the Queen lies in state.



**King's Troop
Royal Artillery**



SILENCE & DIARY OF EVENTS

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18

THE nation will come together to "mourn and reflect on the life and legacy of the Queen" with a minute's silence at 8pm.

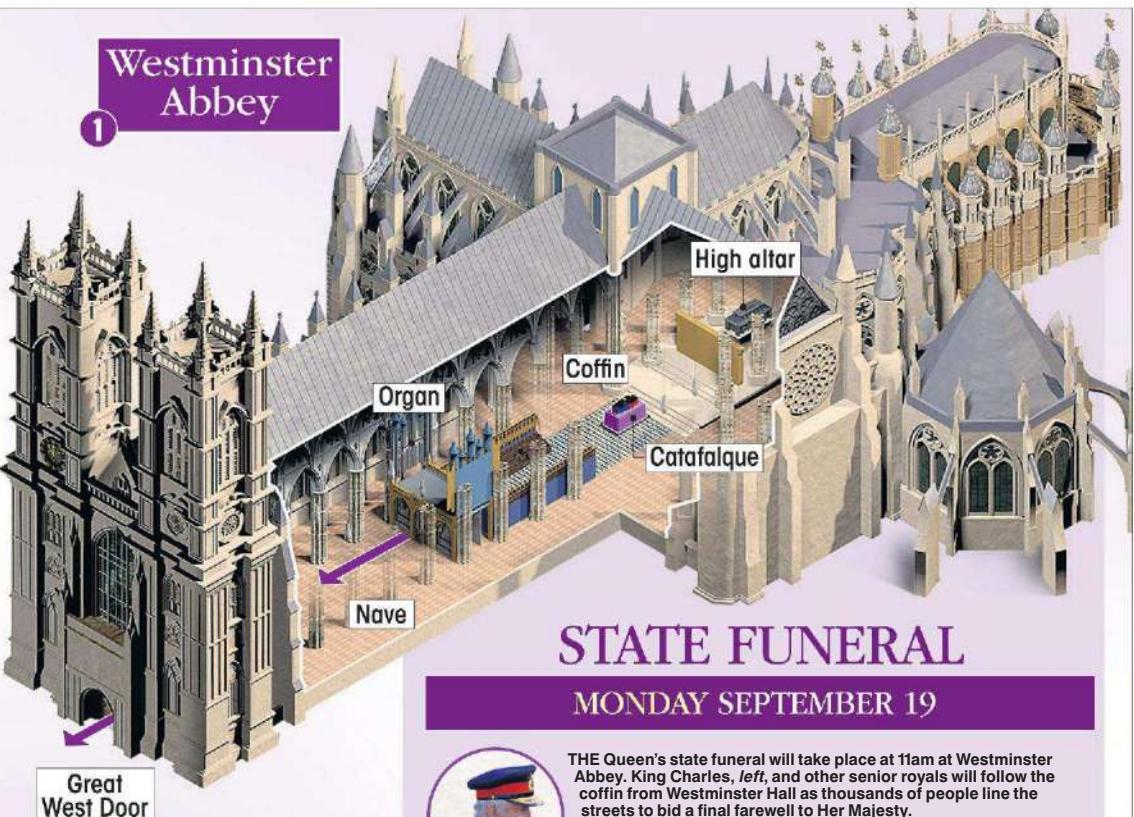
People will mark the occasion in their own homes, on the street with neighbours or at local vigils. And those living abroad are urged to join in too.

A minute of silence was held for the late Prince Philip's funeral last year.

The spokesman for Prime Minister Liz Truss said yesterday: "We encourage local community groups, clubs and other organisations to mark this moment of reflection. And if you are overseas, people are encouraged to mark the silence at their local time."



Westminster Abbey



STATE FUNERAL

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 19



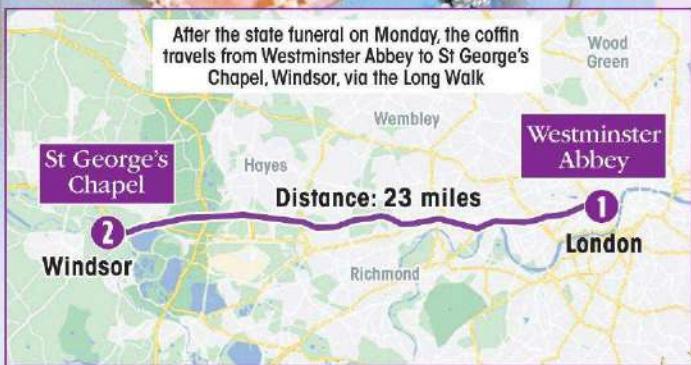
THE Queen's state funeral will take place at 11am at Westminster Abbey. King Charles, left, and other senior royals will follow the coffin from Westminster Hall as thousands of people line the streets to bid a final farewell to Her Majesty.

Around 2,000 guests will attend the hour-long televised service, including Prime Minister Liz Truss and US President Joe Biden.

The coffin will travel in procession from Westminster Abbey to Wellington Arch. From there it will travel to St George's Chapel in Windsor Castle for a committal service.

Major retail chains including Sainsbury's, Morrisons and John Lewis are expected to close their larger stores as a mark of respect. A spokesman for The British Retail Consortium said: "Retailers are taking their lead from Government and are choosing to mark the Queen's passing in ways they deem appropriate for staff and customers."

At midday there will be two minutes of silence across the nation and the London Stock Exchange will close, meaning no UK shares will be traded.



WHEN YOU CAN SEE THE QUEEN LYING IN STATE



THE Queen's coffin will lie in state at Westminster Hall from 5pm tomorrow until 6.30am on Monday, the day of the funeral.

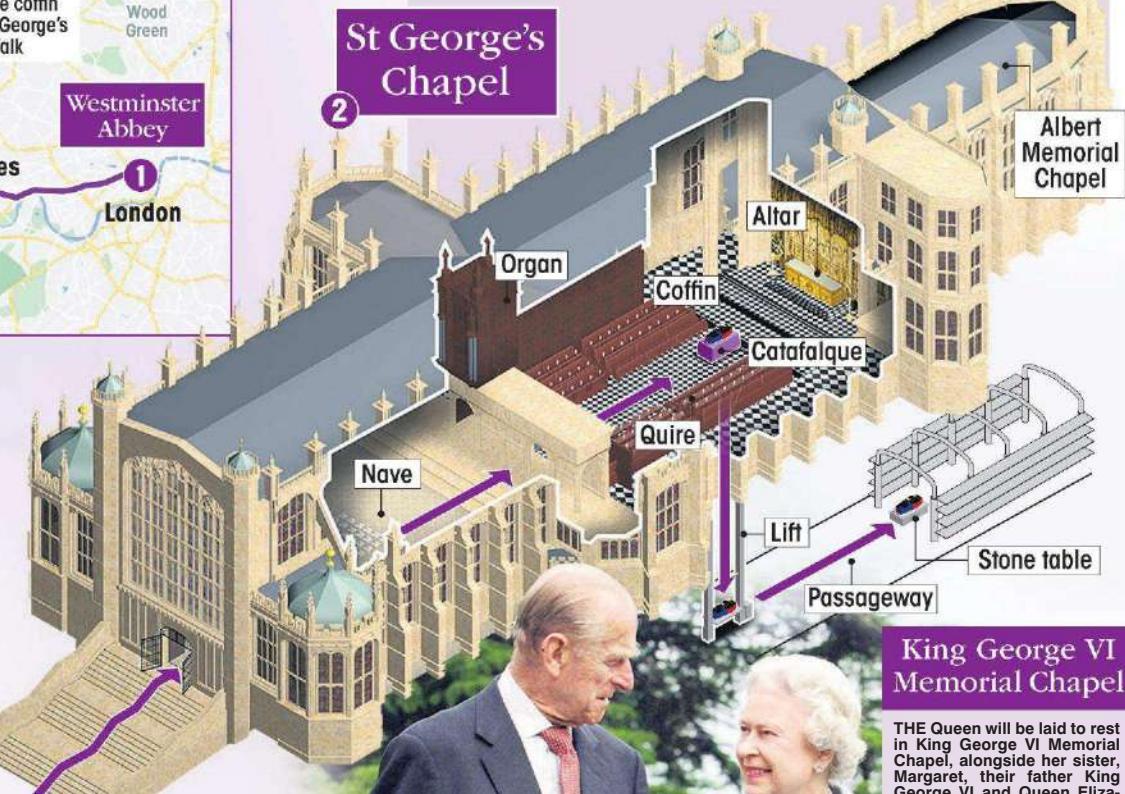
The hall will remain open for 24 hours a day.

It is predicted more than a million mourners will queue to pay their respects, with Whitehall chiefs warning people could be waiting for up to 18 hours.

The route, which will snake along the Thames, will be lined with extra portable toilets and water stations. The public will pass through airport-style security and only small bags are permitted.

Filming and photography in Westminster Hall will be strictly prohibited. More details about the arrangements will be made available on the gov.uk website tonight at 10pm.

The last person to lie in state was the Queen Mother, who died on March 30, 2002. An estimated 200,000 people paid their respects.



King George VI Memorial Chapel

THE Queen will be laid to rest in King George VI Memorial Chapel, alongside her sister, Margaret, their father King George VI and Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

Prince Philip, who died in April 2021, will be moved from the Royal Vault to lie beside his wife.

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CONSORT IS

BOND...
Charles and
Camilla at
polo, 1975

WHEN the history of the 21st Century is written and we look back on events with the dispassionate gaze of hindsight, Camilla, now Queen Consort, will be remembered for one big thing.

The King's wife, though a person of past controversy, will, in my view, be judged not as the woman who nearly destroyed the monarchy but as the woman who helped save it.

I have known the Duchess of Cornwall since my salad days in the early 1990s. Back then she was Mrs Andrew Parker Bowles, an uncomplicated person with a love of the outdoors, a risqué humour, vintage aplomb (she smoked a cigarette like Ava Gardner) and a general bonhomie.

At the time, Camilla and Andrew were friends of my late father, Woodrow Wyatt, who was then chairman of the Horserace Totalisator Board.

Andrew adored racing, and Camilla loved horses and rode with the Beaufort Hunt in Gloucestershire. They owned a picturesquely Georgian house, where Camilla was a vivacious hostess and mother to their children Tom and Laura.

Yet she was not a socialite. She could see through the shallowness of the London scene, and as a couple the Parker Bowleses seemed to go their separate ways.

'Good-natured fun'

Andrew, who was in the Household Cavalry, had a bolthole in Knightsbridge and was catnip to women.

There were whispered rumours about Camilla and Prince Charles, who by then had been married to Diana Spencer for six years.

Yet, none of the stories I heard were poisoned by viciousness or made ugly by moral indignation.

Camilla was the sort of person it was impossible to be indignant about. She played with a straight deck and had a basic fineness to her. As for Charles, his unhappy marriage had brought him to the point of black despair.

It was his friends who contacted his old love, Camilla, who up until then had avoided meeting him at social occasions, with desperate pleas to 'cheer up' Charles.

It would be wrong to call her a marriage-wrecker. The marriage had sunk like Atlantis by the time she agreed to meet Charles again.

Around this time, Camilla attended a polo match to which I was invited. She was seated in the row in front of mine, and when she turned back I was able to have a good look at her.

She wore no make-up apart from mascara and a slash of pink lipstick that made her face incongruously exciting.

She wasn't, strictly speaking, a beauty, but her mouth curved enticingly and her aqua-coloured eyes were arresting.

Like many upper-middle-class Englishwomen who ride, her posture was as precise as a Clichy crystal. As for her clothes, her grey jacket seemed thrown on above a rumpled black top (she was

Camilla isn't the woman who almost destroyed the monarchy... she's the one helping save it

By PETRONELLA WYATT

notoriously untidy), and was not particularly chic.

But she managed to be both voluptuous and rangy, her thick hair the colour of autumn harvests.

When she saw me, she began making good-natured fun of my ignorance of country matters.

"That is a horse," she said, pointing at some great beast that was being saddled up.

Her voice was scary with sarcasm but in a jovial way. She knew I was an urbanite and liked to tease me. "It is not a cow, Petronella. Do remember that."

I laughed — her exuberance was catching.

I knew the Queen Mother — whom Prince Charles adored — and often thought that Camilla and she were very similar, and that was part of her attraction. Both women

could be defined as a certain British type — very game, with a perennial twinkle and a healthy enjoyment of a stiff drink.

The Queen Mother had married a weak man who became King, and by her charm and strength of personality shored and ballasted him.

In his younger years, Charles had myriad weaknesses, the worst of which were self-pity and a gloomy introspection.

In the light of this, Camilla was no socially ambitious Wallis Simpson sort, flattered by the attentions of a future king, but a down-to-earth woman who was, in any case, used to mixing with members of the Royal Family.

The daughter of World War Two hero Bruce Shand and his aristocratic wife, The Honourable Rosalind Maud Cubitt, she was

launched into high society as a 17-year-old debutante.

By then, she was already possessed with a remarkable amount of confidence, honed by her time at finishing school in Switzerland.

But the Crown and its titles held no glamour for her.

It was Charles whom she loved, despite his complexities, or perhaps because of them.

Youthful affair

He needed her in a way that the buccaneering Andrew Parker Bowles — a womaniser, who even had a youthful affair with Princess Anne — never had.

The monarchy is no more than the sum of the individuals who make it up, and Charles, in those days, was problematic. His eeyoreish tendencies and occasional

petulance were alarming. "If he didn't like his boiled egg," one acquaintance who stayed at Highgrove, Charles's Gloucestershire home, told me, "he'd order literally six more in rows, all cooked one minute more than the other."

"Nor could you contradict him. If he pointed to a picture and said it was a vase, you had to agree."

Camilla picked up a shattered, damaged soul, and patiently put the pieces back together again.

It was not an enviable job, but it was one the Queen Mother had performed with her darling "Bertie", King George VI.

"Camilla was maternal, jolly, calm. Without her, he might have had a real breakdown," confides a mutual friend.

"The other thing he loves is that she is completely free of snobbery

KEY TO CROWN'S SURVIVAL

RESPECTS . . . the King and Queen Consort at Westminster Hall yesterday, where MPs and peers expressed their condolences following the Queen's death



Camilla picked up a shattered, damaged soul, and patiently put the pieces back together again



BOWLES CLUB . . . Camilla weds first husband Andrew in 1973



HEIR COMES THE BRIDE . . . Charles and Camilla marry in 2005



HORSE PLAY . . . she and Charles share a laugh at Ascot races, 2013



MA'AM-IN-LAW . . . with Queen visiting a London riding centre, 2013

and really has the common touch.” And it’s true. Camilla can talk just as well to a dustman as a duke, and treat both the same.

Her clothes have evolved with her public role.

Like most Windsor women, she dresses smartly but not fashionably.

She likes her jewels, and knows when to put on a show, but she grasps that it must be in the supporting actress category, so that Charles remains the lead.

Camilla is the first English Queen Consort since Catherine Parr, Henry VIII’s last and most fortunate wife (she managed to outlive him).

Centuries later, in the 1980s, there were two women who were serious contenders for Charles’s hand.

With the benefit of hindsight, it is facile to say it was a great pity that

the young Prince of Wales married the 20-year-old Diana Spencer, and not Camilla, as it would have saved a lot of misery and bother.

But it wasn’t just a question of the Royal Family thinking the older woman unsuitable because she was not a virgin intact.

In the beginning, Camilla was very fond of Charles, but she wasn’t infatuated with him.

“She was madly in love with Andrew Parker Bowles, who was known as the great woman-slayer,” confides an old chum.

The thing with Charles developed over the years, until, suddenly, they found they couldn’t live without each other.”

But it is a question of all’s well that ends well. (Or, as the Queen said at their wedding reception in 2005, the couple finally “reaching

the winners enclosure”.) I have no doubt Queenship will suit Camilla.

As Duchess of Cornwall, she was more diligent than even her supporters expected. Aside from accompanying Charles, her charitable work was exemplary, and it is telling that she chose important rather than modish causes.

Sound character

Her charities included The Book Trust, The National Literacy Trust, Age UK, Battersea Dogs and Cats Home, Barnardo’s, SafeLives, military groups and numerous hospitals. She also encourages and helps English wine growers.

In all that she does, she displays sound character and unobtrusive kindness, that does not demand public hosannas. Having lived much of her life outside the Royal Family

(she had neither titles nor vast wealth), she understands people’s real-life problems better than her husband. A friend who has accompanied Camilla on tours says: “she speaks to everyone and gets what they are saying.”

Members of the public have been entranced. One woman remarked after Camilla visited a London hospital: “I never thought someone of her status would really empathise with my problems, but she did. She is a fantastic listener.”

With no desire to be a celebrity, and understanding the monarchy’s survival in a democracy is dependent on rectitude, hard work and goodwill, Camilla has helped her husband make his peace with the media and its constant attention.

She ensures photographers are always given the picture they want.

Nor is she afraid to poke fun at her husband, and does so with impish humour.

“Camilla has transformed Charles, made him so much easier in himself and with others,” says an insider. “There is a feeling that with her at his side he could be a remarkably good king. One cannot think of a better Queen Consort.”

Indeed, it should be with a feeling of gratitude towards Camilla that the nation looks forward.

Just as the Queen Mother moulded George VI into a man to be reckoned with, it is Camilla who has pulled Charles back from the abyss and made him formidable.

Before she died, the Queen Mother was fondly known as the nation’s favourite granny.

I would not be surprised if one day that moniker goes to Camilla.

FARMS CUT HOGS COST THROUGH LIVING CRISIS

By ASHLEY ARMSTRONG

HARD-HIT farmers are cutting back on hogs — putting fry-ups and pigs in blankets under threat.

British producers are rearing a fifth fewer animals because of soaring fuel, fertiliser and feed costs.

A shortage of carbon dioxide used to stun pigs for slaughter is adding to their problems, say experts.

The National Pig Association said farmers



Threat... pigs in blankets and fry-ups

were losing around £50 an animal — more than £600million over the industry since autumn 2020 — and some had been forced to quit.

A spokesman said the ongoing troubles "will potentially mean less British pork available on the supermarket shelf in the run-up to Christmas".

He added: "It's a challenging time... but what will help is for

retailers to continue to support our domestic supply by buying British Red Tractor pork wherever possible, and for shoppers to buy British, too."

Pork is the second most popular meat in the UK after chicken, with £180million of sausage, £52million of gammon and £193million of bacon eaten every year, according to the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board.

Supermarkets are already preparing to have to turn to European suppliers to make up for the shortfall in British hogs.

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SMOTHERS RUIN

By PAUL SIMS

SUN rises over a mist-smothered Corfe Castle yesterday, casting long shadows across the landscape.

The 11th century ruins in Dorset's Purbeck Hills saw a spectacular dawn, as did the county's Branksome Beach, in Bournemouth, below.

It was the start of a cloudy but warm and humid day across much of England.

Forecasters said the dry weather would continue today with "some pleasant sunshine", especially in the South, and showers later.



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WEATHER
with TALK TV's NAZANEEN GHAFFAR



TODAY: Generally dry and bright with periods of autumnal sunshine, however clouds will build in the south with outbreaks of rain.

TONIGHT: Southern England will continue to be cloudy and wet. The heavy rain will slowly spread northwards. Elsewhere will be mainly dry and clear overnight.

OUTLOOK: Rain in the south will clear tomorrow to leave most places dry with sunny spells. Mainly dry on Thursday with spells of sunshine and variable cloud cover. A threat of showers in northern Scotland.



Truss axe to NI rise

LIZ Truss is due to meet world leaders in New York and hold a mini-Budget next week, days after the Queen's funeral.

The new PM is set to travel to America for the United Nations General Assembly summit.

On her return, officials have pencilled in the Thursday for the financial statement in which she wants to reverse the National Insurance rise.

The NI cuts and fuel bills help will typically return about £4,700 to wealthy households and £2,200 to the poorest, the Resolution Foundation think-tank estimates.

Retired in job return

SOARING household bills are dragging people out of retirement and have led to the highest ever number of people aged over 65 working.

It rose by a record 173,000 to 1,468 million in the three months to June, official figures show.

The new workers took on relatively few hours, suggesting they were topping up pensions.

The Office for National Statistics said pubs, bars and restaurants, offering short shifts, saw some of the largest increases.

Becky O'Connor, at Interactive Investor, said: "People can't afford to give up work."

Docs jab cash bid

DOCTORS want extra cash to dole out Covid boosters to the nation's most vulnerable patients.

NHS bosses are offering GPs up to £525 for every care home done in a bid to boost jabs.

It is on top of the £10.06 doctors are paid for each shot that goes into an arm. During earlier waves it was £30.

The British Medical Association is refusing to "endorse" the programme, claiming it is "underfunded", Pulse magazine reported.

The NHS said: "GP-led teams are already taking up the incentive offered."

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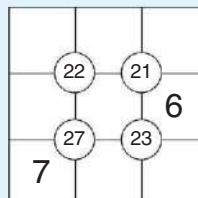
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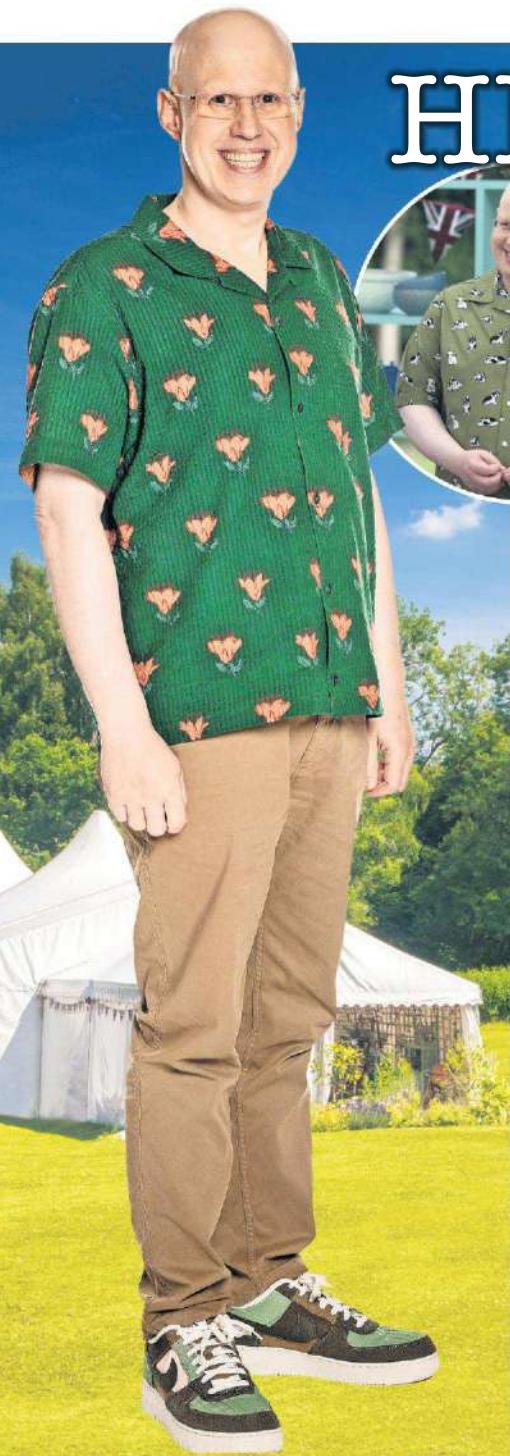
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Today's birthdays

SINGER NIALL HORAN, 29, left, fashion designer STELLA McCARTNEY, 51, right, comedian and actor BOBBY DAVRO, 64, 2001 Wimbledon champ GORAN IVANISEVIC, 51, drummer ZAK STARKEY, 57, and Olympic sprinting gold medallist and TV commentator MICHAEL JOHNSON, 55.

HE'S FLAT LUCAS



By FELICITY CROSS, Deputy TV Editor

SLIMLINE Matt Lucas shows his resistance to Bake Off cakes as the reunited gang dress up for a Star Wars skit.

The comedian, 48, slashed calories and started working out after being warned he was at risk of contracting diabetes.

He felt the force with Noel Fielding, 49, Prue Leith, 82, and Paul Hollywood, 56, who had a rolling pin lightsaber, right. The Channel 4 series returns tonight at 8pm.



GRANGE HILL LEGEND

Mrs McClusky dies at age 76

By PAUL SIMS

ACTRESS Gwyneth Powell — formidable headmistress Mrs McClusky in Grange Hill — has died at the age of 76.

She dealt firmly but fairly with tearaways including Tucker Jenkins and Zammo McGuire from 1980 to 1991 and was loved by a whole generation who watched the BBC show.

Her agent said she died in hospital in Brighton last Thursday "after complications following a major operation for a perforated colon".

In a statement, her family said she "passed away peacefully" with her husband, actor Alan Leith, and her niece at

GWYNETH WAS HEAD FOR 11YRS

her bedside. They said: "Gwyneth will be greatly missed by her adoring family and friends along with her many fans."

BBC Children's director Patricia Hidalgo said: "Her portrayal of Mrs McClusky will be fondly remembered."

Manchester-born Gwyneth landed her first major TV part in the 1971 LWT dystopian drama *The Guardians*.

Other roles included *Heartbeat*, *Holby City* and *Father Brown*. In 2013 she was cast as the mum of Greg Davies' character in Channel 4 comedy *Man Down*.



Gwyneth...as Mrs McClusky

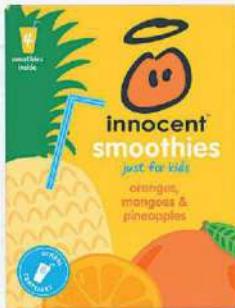
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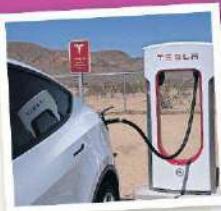
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ELECTRIC SNARE... e-car

LECCY A REAL LOSER

AROUND 80 per cent of all new cars sold in Norway are electric, making the Scandinavian country one of the greenest on the planet. Which is all v. admirable.

Except the price for charging an e-car at a Circle K – the Esso of the electric world – currently stands at £7.70 per kWh.

Which, according to Peter Immanuelson, a Swedish political commentator, means it now costs around £75 to fully charge a Tesla ... more than a standard tank of petrol, even in these over-inflated, Putin-boycotting times.

If the Government has its way, by 2030 there will be 14 million of us silently queuing along in e-cars, queuing to recharge our lithium-ion Duracells.

All to save the planet ... and, er, money.

Three things.

1) If the source of energy to power these cars doesn't come from solar panels or wind turbines, their CO2 emissions will be much higher than standard petrol cars.

2) The recycling of these batteries is an environmental timebomb – the process exposes the recyclers and their surroundings to lead, a potent neurotoxin that can damage brain development in children.

3) See paragraph 3.

Going green is admirable – but we need to get the foundations in place first.

MOVING MOMENT

THE internet isn't all doom and gloom.

A touching video went viral yesterday, showing a Transport for London security guard bursting into a spontaneous Italian-soprano aria alongside Anna Lapwood, a director of music at Cambridge University.

The pair duetted, beautifully, on Handel's Lascia ch'io pianga [admittedly not a banger on my Spotify most-played].

Simon Cowell: If you're reading, give this brilliant woman – Marcella – a recording contract.

#FindMarcella.



WELL MANAGED... duo

FOR anyone wanting a little light relief from the blanket royal coverage, I can't recommend BBC1 series *The Capture* highly enough.

Currently rattling through series two, it's essentially a terri-

fying examination of deep-fake technology. Starring Holliday Grainger, it also showcases the charismatic talents of Paapa Essiedu – a man now tipped to be the first black Bond. I'd give him the role in a heartbeat.



AS if poor Muck and Sandy haven't suffered enough, now the Queen's corgis are being packed off to live with Prince Andrew, left.

The adorable pups are being taken in by the disgraced Duke

who gave them to his mother as a gift. While I'm no fan of Britain's most useless royal, the gesture is, at least, a tiny step in the right direction on his long, probably never-ending, path to redemption.



MACCY GLEE... Caprice

CAPRICE BLASTS MYTHS

BESIDES speed bumps and noisy chompers at the cinema, is there anything more annoying than a female celebrity who insists she "eats like a horse" but stays thin "running around looking after the kids/lucky genes"?

Pass me the KFC bucket, now.

So big-up to Caprice for telling it like it is.

The American model admits that, in her prime, she trained for two hours a day to stay in shape because she loved food.

She adds: "It makes me laugh how you get interviews from models saying, 'You know, this is just natural – eat McDonald's, whatever I want. I was born like this.'

"I just think, 'You're totally full of s***!', because what I've seen in the industry, most of the time it's apples, cigarettes and coffee – that's the diet."



TRUCE... feuding royals

explain". No one exemplified a stiff upper lip better than she.

Since quitting the royal front line, Harry has done a lot of complaining and even more explaining. His bottom lip hasn't stopped a-trembling.

Both he and Meghan have cited wellbeing struggles since moving to California.

The pair of them, no strangers to therapy, have done excellent work in promoting mental health awareness.

And we shouldn't turn a blind eye to their perceived inner turmoil.

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She has smiled benignly, been hugely gracious to well-wishers and stayed in the background. She hasn't made the death of Britain's cherished monarch about her.

They are, it seems, making a concerted effort. William and Harry have a bond no one can ever truly understand, or appreciate.

For the past two years they've been at war. Now, once and for all, is the time to wave the white flag.



POLAR OPPOSITE... bears

CLASSY RETURN

NEXT up, real polar bears.

If there was one show guaranteed to lift the nation, then this was it: the return of Frozen Planet.

Pandas, polar bears and penguins all dazzled in Technicolor glory on Sunday night in a glorious, life-affirming 50-minute bonanza.

One that almost single-handedly justified the BBC licence fee.

Apparently, it took three years of blood, sweat and trial-and-error filming in Russian forests to land the footage of tigers entering bears' caves.

Something none of us knew we wanted to see, until we saw it.

Of course, the whole thing was expertly narrated by the implacable, dulcet tones of Sir David Attenborough.

Who, at 96, is the same age as our late, great Queen was. A fact that is lost on none of us.

Warring William & Harry must call a truce...for Granny

ON Christmas Day 1914, British and German troops famously downed arms and played football on No Man's Land.

Hostilities resumed less than 24 hours later... and the remaining four years didn't play out well for either side.

Right now, Princes William and Harry – both military men – are metaphorical Britain and Germany.

The death of the Queen, their beloved grandmother, must be the catalyst to a truce. For good.

Yesterday Harry paid a heartfelt tribute to "Granny". In celebrating the life of my grandmother, Her Majesty the Queen, we are all reminded of the guiding compass she was to so many in her commitment to service and duty," he wrote.

"Her unwavering grace and dignity remained true throughout her life and now her everlasting legacy."

William and Harry know the Queen's ultimate legacy must be the safe, seamless continuation of the British monarchy.

That means no petty squabbles, no varying recollections and no tell-all interviews to global stars on primetime TV. It also means no whipping out of a dictaphone at any given opportunity, recording private conversations for use in a much anticipated, and even more maligned, memoir.

It is, evidently, that William fears above all. His trust in Harry – and Meghan, who recently hinted at potential publica-

tion of her hitherto secret diaries – has been shattered.

With the very real fear that their every utterance, misconstrued or otherwise, will be turned into a new chapter, it is little wonder cosy double dates at Wagamama, Staines, haven't been forthcoming since the couple's return to nearby Frogmore.

The proceeds of Harry's tome are going to charity. Obviously he must honour this worthy commitment. But, as a gesture of goodwill, he should tell his family exactly what is in it. Spoilers 'n' all.

A lot of complaining

Just as celebrities occasionally demand copy approval for interviews, so William should be offered an early preview of the (ghostwritten) autobiography.

For the sake of the monarchy which, arguably, has never been in such a perilous state of fragility – or transition – there can be no more nasty surprises. No mis-truths, no unfounded litigious claims. In other words, Harry must extend an olive branch – just as his big brother did when he invited H&M to view flowers at Windsor alongside him and Kate.

Similarly, if the brothers are to extend this rapprochement, they must, as has been mooted, walk side by side behind their grandmother's coffin next week. The Queen's motto was "never complain, never

explain". No one exemplified a stiff upper lip better than she.

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So, Peppa's no pig-ot, as Thomas and co Brake new ground...

PEPPA PIG has gone all LGBT+ and landed its first gay characters.

Last week, in an episode called Families, the kids' TV favourite featured two co-parenting lesbian polar bears. (Really)

In it, a character called Penny announced: "I live with my mummy and my other mummy.

One mummy is a doctor and one mummy cooks spaghetti."

The family then sat down for a meal together.

Who knew? Lesbian grizzlies like a nice spag bol in front of the telly as much as the rest of us.

Of course, not everyone is happy. A senior member of a far-right Italian political party, who

should probably be focusing on more pressing matters at hand, has appealed to state broadcaster Rai not to screen the episode. Federico Mollicone, Brothers of Italy's culture spokesman, harrumphed: "We cannot accept gender indoctrination."

"Once again the politically correct have struck, at the expense of our children. Can't children just be children?"

They can... but only if trains can be trains. Yup, it turns out Thomas the Tank Engine is now getting its first autistic character, Bruno the Brake Car, inset.

Which, let's face it, is a WHOLE lot more improbable than a sapphic polar bear.

WELL MANAGED... duo

HOOLIGANS 'JUST WANT A CUDDLE'

FOOTBALL thugs would rather hug than fight, a study has found.

The most violent supporters rate helping fellow fans – even opponents – as more important than thumping rivals.

Researcher Dr Martha Newson claims the most die-hard supporters are "fused" to their team and build their personality around it.

Fused fans were much more likely to have been in fights. But the same people were also most

likely to give to charity, offer a lift or hug someone who is upset.

This was true regardless of which side the other person supported – and was ranked as more important than starting a bust-up or fuelling match day tensions.

Dr Newson, of Oxford University, said the fans only wanted to do what was best for their club – even if that meant fighting for it against rival firms, as seen in films such as Green Street with Elijah Wood.

She added: "The most hostile and violent people were also the ones who wanted to help rivals and other fans the most."

Dr Newson, who quizzed 500 fans, added: "Passionate football fans can have a positive impact at games, not only on fellow fans but also with fans of rival teams."

Film yob... Wood



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BUDGET BREW TEST

Breville Bold Kettle, £22

THIS isn't one for silent types – it is a noisy kettle that lets you know when it is working up a steam.

But it is pretty swift to reach 100 degrees. The glossy ridge-textured finish may not be to everyone's taste.

One cup: 45 seconds

(37kWh costing 1p)

Full 1.7 litre kettle:

3 minutes and

36 seconds

(179kWh costing 5p)

Score: 3



Vektra Series 1 Kettle, £74.95

THIS eco-friendly vacuum kettle takes a while to boil but it should help lower your electricity bills as the water stays hot for up to four hours without using any more energy. It is pricey, though.

One cup: 1 minute and 20 seconds

(38kWh costing 1p)

Full 1.5 litre kettle:

4 minutes and

48 seconds

(142kWh costing 3.9p)

Score: 4

Hot for longest

Bosch Styline Kettle, £64

THE advantage with the innovative Styline is that you can heat the water to lower temperatures such as 70 degrees. It was also the fastest to reach boiling point, in just over half a minute.

One cup: 37 seconds

(37kWh costing 1p)

Full 1.5 litre kettle:

3 minutes and

4 seconds

(154kWh costing 4.3p)

Score: 4

Fastest to boil



Tower Cavaletto Kettle, £34.99

THIS "rapid boil" model lived up to its promise to boil enough water for one cup of tea in "under 45 seconds." Looks-wise there were some admiring glances at the copper trim, and the matte black is particularly stylish.

One cup: 44 seconds

(38kWh costing 1p)

Full 1.7 litre kettle:

3 minutes and

29 seconds

(176kWh costing 4.9p)

Score: 3



Which kettle fits the bill?

THE nation brews 60 billion cups of tea a year, so when it comes to saving energy and reducing household bills your kettle plays a role.

New innovations, such as the vacuum kettle, can keep water hot for four hours after each boil without using extra watts and others heat to lower temperatures.

GRANT ROLLINGS tests eight kettles using an energy usage monitor to see which can cut the cost of your cuppa.

● Calculations used Ofgem's average cost of electricity for a typical household of 28p per kWh, excluding daily standing charge.



NO MUG... Grant tries out kettles

Cookworks Variable Temperature Glass, £41

THE blue lighting is eye-catching, which is handy because you'll need something to look at while you wait for it to boil. The second-slowest and least energy-efficient of the eight tested.

One cup: One minutes and 12 seconds

(43kWh costing 1.2p)

Full 1.7 litre kettle:

Four minutes and

54 seconds

(180kWh costing 5p)

Score: 3



Russell Hobbs Groove Kettle, £35

THIS model claims to "save up to 66 per cent energy" by boiling water super-fast, and it does use the least energy of all the kettles tested. It's not the cheapest but could pay off in the long run.

One cup: 42 seconds

(35kWh costing 0.98p)

Full 1.7 litre kettle:

3 minutes and

25 seconds

(174kWh costing 4.8p)

Score: 5



Winner

Cookworks Plastic Kettle, £13.50

PROBABLY the cheapest kettle you can buy at £13.50, it's also surprisingly energy-efficient, using 38kWh to boil a cuppa. For all-round cost effectiveness, this gets the thumbs up.

One cup: 44 seconds

(38kWh costing 1p)

Full 1.7 litre kettle:

3 minutes and

28 seconds

(178kWh costing 4.9p)

Score: 4



Best value

Asda George Fast Boil Scandi Kettle, £24

CHIC, quick and cheap, Asda is ticking lots of boxes with its sleek, matte white and wood effect kettle.

The Scandi is one of the most eco-friendly in terms of the watts consumed – and it looks good, too.

One cup: 44 seconds

(37kWh costing 1p)

Full 1.7 litre kettle:

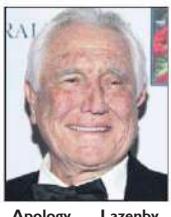
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(179kWh costing 5p)

Score: 4





Apology...Lazenby

007 actor 'sorry' for remarks

By CHRIS POLLARD

JAMES Bond star George Lazenby apologised after being accused of making "creepy" and "homophobic" remarks on stage.

Audience members said the 007 actor looked "drunk and dishevelled" as he recounted his sexual conquests at a Music of James Bond concert.

The Aussie, 83, was axed from a second performance of the show in Perth, Australia.

One watcher said: "He was disgusting. He spent all interview talking about his sexual conquests."

"He was homophobic, he swore. There were children in the audience."

Another said: "It was totally inappropriate."

Lazenby - 007 in 1969's On Her Majesty's Secret Service - tweeted he was "sorry and saddened" that stories he had "shared many times" had offended anyone.

Organiser Concertworks said it was "disappointed" by his behaviour.

Late food mood hit

EATING at night raises symptoms of depression by more than a quarter, a study suggests.

Late meals also increase anxiety by 16 per cent.

No change was found when the 19 study subjects on night shifts ate in the day - even when still working at night.

Professor Frank Scheer, of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, US, said the findings "provide evidence for the timing of food intake as a strategy to minimise mood vulnerability in individuals experiencing [body clock] misalignment".

STAR-STUDDED BEYONCE PARTY

ADELE LETS HAIR DOWN FOR BASH

By ELLIE HENMAN

ADELE let her hair down at Beyoncé's 41st birthday party — but then seemed to need a little snooze.

The British singer, 34, was among the A-list guests at the American superstar's bash at her mansion in Bel Air, LA.

She looked in good spirits as she left the party in the early hours yesterday with her partner, US sports agent Rich Paul, 40.

But she appeared tired in the car, shutting her eyes as they pulled away.

She also reignited speculation she is engaged to Rich, by wearing a huge diamond on her ring finger.

Other guests included reality TV star Kim Kardashian, 41, wearing a red and black animal print catsuit; her sister Khloe, 38, Canadian singer Drake, 35, actress Megan Fox, 36, and her rapper boyfriend Machine Gun Kelly, 32.

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**SNOOZY ON ME**

Star has post-party shut-eye

**ANIMAL MAGIC**

Reality TV star Kim wore a glam red and black catsuit

Ring rumours... Adele and Rich. Beyoncé, right



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DOGGY PADDLE



IT was a lido for Fido when dozens of golden retrievers took over this outdoor swimming pool.

Saltdean Lido, near Brighton, holds dog swimming events throughout

By JAMES SOMPER

September, including several breed "meet-ups".

Owners can also take the plunge — or let their pets go wet and wild solo.

COPS ACT ON TIP

OLIVIA SEARCH AT GOLF COURSE

Hunt for murder weapon



Brook ... search at golf course

By RICHARD MORIARTY

COPS investigating the killing of Olivia Pratt-Korbel searched a golf course for the murder weapon yesterday.

Specialist teams examined a brook running through West Derby Golf Club — less than a mile away from Olivia's home. Drones were also flown over the 6,275-yard 18-hole course.

Olivia, nine, was shot dead in Dovecot, Liverpool, on August 22 after a gunman chased drug-dealer Joseph Nee, 35, into her home. Her funeral will be held on Thursday.

Det Chf Supt Mark Kameen said the "extensive" land search was carried out following a tip.

Three suspects have so far been arrested on suspicion of murder and a further six on suspicion of assisting an offender.

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Victim ... funeral for Olivia, nine, will be on Thursday

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- 2 large handfuls Baby Spinach

MAKE IT

- 1 Heat 1 tbsp oil in a saucepan on medium heat.
- 2 Add onion and garlic and cook until soft.
- 3 Add the diced turkey breast, cook for 2-3 minutes then add curry powder, tomatoes, chickpeas and spinach.
- 4 Bring to the boil, reduce to a simmer and cook for 15 minutes.

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YOU'LL NEED

- 175g Tesco Self Raising Flour
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Mix the flour and yogurt in a medium-sized bowl.

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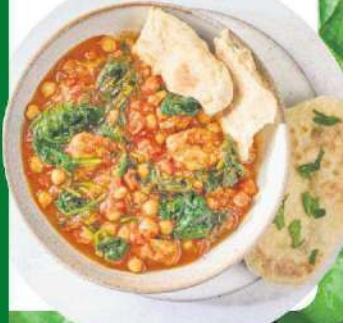
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DEAL OF DAY

SORTING the admin will be easier with the Mondovi desk, which was £48 at B&Q (diy.com), now £28.80.
SAVE: £19.20

CHEAP TREAT

SNACK on Bear mango fruit Yo Yos. Usually £2.59 a pack, now £1.75 at Morrisons.com.
SAVE: 84p

BOOK ahead and bag a half-term deal for the family.

The October school break is around the corner – and this year it could be more expensive than ever.

But you can treat the kids and enjoy a big saving if you sort it now.

SPLASH OUT: Flumes, slides and wave machines are a brilliant way to keep children busy and tire them out! Waterparks get booked up quickly for half-term but buy ahead and you can usually get an advance discount. The Alton Towers Waterpark is £22 per person on the day but you can reserve your spot for £16.50 per person, saving £5.50 a ticket.

ACT UP: Fancy seeing a West End show? There are still seats for productions such as Frozen The Musical. You can also get up to 15 per cent off tickets to see Matilda The Musical – with prices starting at £24pp when you book via londontheatredirect.com before September 30.

FLY HIGH: Sign up for a family activity holiday at pgl.co.uk and you could be ziplining, kayaking or even trying your hand at archery.

You will be paired with other families, so there might be a chance to share the load while having fun.

Book for October half-term now and save 20 per cent when you use the code AUT20.

TRUST US: The National Trust has so many amazing days out and adventures for

the family. Many of its nature trails will get a spooky update for half-term, which children will love. Not all events will require booking but it's a good idea to check out nationaltrust.org.uk for what's on in your area.

At Waddesdon Manor, Bucks (waddesdon.org.uk), take the kids on a magical beasts

mythical safari from £3.50pp, which you need to book now. **PICK YOUR OWN:** In recent years, visiting a pumpkin patch with the family has become a must-do and tickets can sell out quickly. Avoid any disappointment and take advantage of early bird offers by booking ahead.

At Foxes Farm in Basildon,

Essex, (foxesfarmproduce.co.uk), twilight pumpkin picking tickets are available from £3.75.

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What's new

AUTUMN has arrived at TK Maxx. Make your home cosy for less with ornamental pumpkins, pumpkin-spiced latte scented candles and this door mat, which is £7.99.

**TOP SWAP**

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CYCLISTS love the Decathlon Dare2B men's jersey, £20, above. But get a similar one at Aldi for £5.99, below.



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Leah's little helper

NEW parents can pick up a bargain this week as the Big Lidl Baby Event is back. It includes plenty of new items from the Lupilu range, as well as top brands such as Tommee Tippee. Prices start at £3.49.

SHOP & SAVE

FORGET the takeaway, add some Itsu gyoza dumplings to your dinner. A pack of 12 is now £2.95 instead of £3.95 at Asda.

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Emotion... Mold court

'Kids ban' gran car revenge

By JAMES SOMPER

A RAGING gran vandalised the car of her son's ex after being stopped from seeing her three grandchildren.

Sorelle Owens jumped on the bonnet of Bonnie Jones's Fiat Punto and ripped off a wiper blade.

The hairdresser, who had "had a few cans", also let down its tyres and knocked off a wing mirror, a court heard.

She had seen her grandchildren daily until her son and his partner of nine years split up.

But she had no contact for three months and had been "let down at the last minute" to see them.

Owens, 46, of Greenfield, Flintshire, was experiencing severe menopausal symptoms, it was said.

She admitted criminal damage and must pay £500 compensation.

District Judge Gwyn Jones told Mold magistrates' court Owens "clearly allowed emotions to get the better of her".

11-month Cov low

COVID-19 infections have dropped to their lowest level for nearly 11 months, official figures reveal.

A total of 944,700 people are estimated to have had coronavirus outside of hospital in the week to August 28, the Office for National Statistics says.

That is the first time the figure has fallen below a million since the beginning of June.

It is also the lowest since the week to October 2, 2021, when the number stood at 942,600.

Cases are falling in England and Wales but rising in Scotland.

UKRAINE'S SWIFT ADVANCE



Abandoned... Ukrainians with kit left by retreating Russians



Assault... Ukrainians on tanks in Kharkiv

FREED IN SIX DAYS

By JEROME STARKEY

AN epic Ukrainian counter-attack freed an area "twice the size of Greater London" in six days.

Russian troops speedily retreated as its northern front line crumbled.

The collapse stunned Ukraine's forces and sparked a rare backlash in Moscow.

Ex-MP Boris Nadezhin said Vladimir Putin's advisors who predicted a quick win in February "really set

Russia left stunned

up all of us". He told state-owned NTV: "It's absolutely impossible to defeat Ukraine using these resources and colonial war methods."

Moscow claimed retreat from the northeastern Kharkiv province was "a tactical redeployment". But Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov yesterday refused to confirm whether Putin still had confidence in his commanders.

Liberated residents said

the Russians — reportedly outnumbered eight to one — left behind tanks, armoured trucks and ammunition.

Ukraine's defence minister Oleksii Resnikov said long-range rocket systems donated by Britain and the US were deployed and it went "better than expected".

Ukraine reported it freed another 20 settlements yesterday as it cemented its hold on Kupiansk and Izium

— cutting supply to Russians in Donbas. A British military insider said: "Since Wednesday, Ukraine has recaptured territory at least twice the size of Greater London."

Russia hit back by blitzing power and water pumping stations, plunging swathes of Ukraine into darkness.

But President Volodymyr Zelensky said: "Cold, hunger, darkness and thirst for us are not as scary and deadly as your 'friendship and brotherhood'."



Hit... power plant. Left, Vlad



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ROBBIE ROTTEN

Singer admits he was given name..and hates it

ROBBIE Williams says he was told to adopt the name "Robbie" by his manager but hated it as it sounds "cute".

The star — real moniker Robert Williams — said he was horrified as he wanted to be "street and cool". It happened when Robbie

By ROB PATTINSON

started his career with Take That aged 16. Despite his reservations, he said being told he had to drop Rob or Robert ultimately helped him because he came to regard Robbie as his alter ego.

Robbie, 48, said: "The name Robbie wasn't my idea. The name was given to me by my manager." He said he was told: "OK, you're not Robert any

more, you're Robbie." Speaking on Radio 1 DJ Annie Macmanus's podcast Changes, he added: "I hated it because it made me sound cute — and I didn't want to sound cute."

"I wanted to be street and cool, and Robbie was just not."

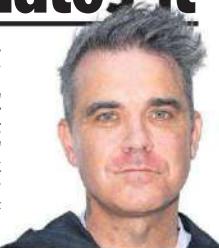
The star said he now realises that having a different name helped him cope at the peak of his career when the "order of the day" was to "lacerate,

dehumanise, vilify, pull down, put a contract out to kill (celebrities), beat them up".

Robbie, who also revealed he will play himself in biopic Better Man, said: "It was the best thing he ever did because Robbie Williams isn't me. This person they talked about, that they wanted to beat up, it wasn't me."

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Robbie ... hated moniker



Dealer's £49k bill

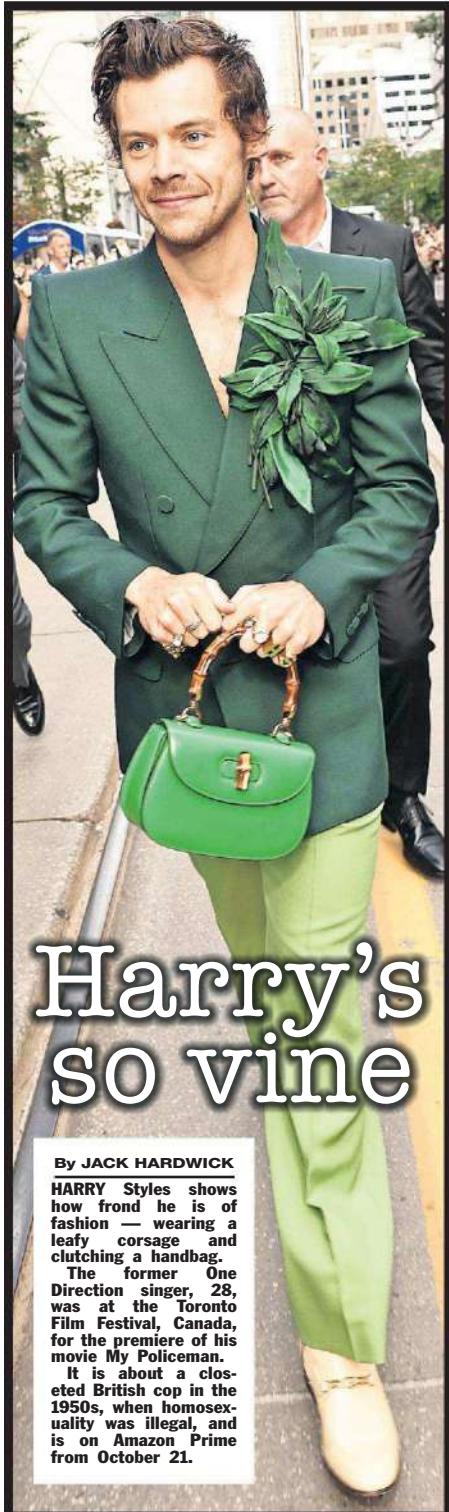
A COCAINE and heroin dealer who made more than £1million in two months has been ordered to pay back just £49,000.

Mark Wainfur, 33, who took pictures posing with wads of cash, sold 20kg of class A drugs before he was jailed for 12 years. Now Wainfur, of Newport, Gwent, had £48,952 of available assets, a Proceeds of Crime Act hearing at Cardiff crown court was told.

He faces additional jail time if he fails to pay up.

CASTLE FOR KEEPS

A 17-bed replica riverside Scottish castle has gone on the market for £3million in Kansas, US.



Harry's so vine

By JACK HARDWICK

HARRY Styles shows how frond he is of fashion — wearing a leafy corsage and clutching a handbag.

The former One Direction singer, 28, was at the Toronto Film Festival, Canada, for the premiere of his movie *My Policeman*.

It is about a closeted British cop in the 1950s, when homosexuality was illegal, and is on Amazon Prime from October 21.



Injuries ... e-scooter

'Danger' e-scooter trial axed

By JAMES SOMPER

E-SCOOTERS are to be banned in a county amid increasing safety fears.

Councillors rejected an offer to extend a two-year trial before "someone is seriously hurt".

In July a woman of 80 suffered a broken wrist, cheekbone and a cracked jaw after an e-scooter hit her on a pavement in Canterbury, Kent.

A city trial launched there in November 2020 was twice extended by Kent County Council.

But Coun David Brazier, overseeing the pilot, said: "I tended to favour the trial going on, but it was obvious accidents could've [caused] worse injuries than they did."

Official figures show 1,280 collisions involving e-scooters in the UK in 2021, causing 1,359 casualties and nine deaths.

Operator Bird said it is "very disappointed" the trial will be scaled back then end on November 30.

Free loos scrapped

PEOPLE could soon be caught short as free public toilets look set to be axed during the cost-of-living crisis.

Councils need to start charging people to spend a penny to cover the costs of up to £15,000 a year.

Raymond Martin, of the British Toilet Association, claims charging just £1 per use could earn struggling councils millions.

He said: "Councils would like to provide them but they have to recover the cost. If you pay £2.50 for a coffee, why would you not pay £1 to go to the toilet?"

LILY SAVAGED

Paul O'Grady, 67, says he could not perform as Lily Savage today as "everyone's so touchy — I'd be afraid to say anything."

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A POIGNANT

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Edinburgh as we print
Poet Laureate Simon
Armitage's moving
work *Floral Tribute*
written in her memory.
The first letter of each
line spells "Elizabeth" in
both verses — forming a
double acrostic to
signify "the Second"



EULOGY BY POET LAUREATE

FLORAL TRIBUTE

Evening will come, however determined
the late afternoon,

Limes and oaks in their last green flush,
pearled in September mist.

I have conjured a lily to light these
hours, a token of thanks,

Zones and auras of soft glare framing the
brilliant globes.

A promise made and kept for life – that
was your gift –

Because of which, here is a gift in return,
glovewort to some,

Each shining bonnet guarded by stern
lance-like leaves.

The country loaded its whole self into
your slender hands,

Hands that can rest, now, relieved of a
century's weight.

Evening has come. Rain on the black
lochs and dark Munros.

Lily of the Valley, a namesake almost, a
favourite flower

Interlaced with your famous bouquets,
the restrained

Zeal and forceful grace of its lanterns,
each inflorescence

A silent bell disguising a singular voice.
A blurred new day

Breaks uncrowned on remote peaks and
public parks, and

Everything turns on these luminous
petals and deep roots,

This lily that thrives between spire and
tree, whose brightness

Holds and glows beyond the life and
border of its bloom.

By POET LAUREATE SIMON ARMITAGE



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SHARING FACTS ... Davina with Dr Naomi Potter

HOT flushes, cold flushes, anxiety, rage, bleeding gums, forgetfulness and even electric shocks – just some of the crippling signs that you might be perimenopausal or menopausal.

But the 13million UK women going through menopause are also dealing with another debilitating issue – loss of libido.

Around 40 to 55 per cent of women going through menopause suffer low sex drive.

TV favourite Davina McCall has decided that enough is enough – women should not have to suffer in silence any more.

Her latest book, *Menopause*, written with Dr Naomi Potter, is a one-stop shop for any woman who wants to know more about the perimenopause or menopause.

Davina, 54, who is a supporter of The Sun's taboo-

smashing Fabulous Menopause Matters campaign, says: "I was 44 when it started.

"I remember because it was so weird. I lost something of myself. I changed. "I couldn't quite pinpoint how I'd changed, but I'd definitely changed. I didn't feel myself."

Davina experienced a host of symptoms including feeling more self-conscious, dry skin, night sweats and brain fog.

She says: "The night sweats were particularly horrible because I was a heroin addict a very long time ago, in my early 20s, and the last time I'd sweated like that was when I was using, when I was basically going through cold turkey."

Two years later, in 2014,

Davina was told she was perimenopausal and the relief when she started taking HRT was immediate.

She says: "A few years ago I started talking more openly about my menopause. For years I'd been aware of the risks of taking HRT.

"But the discussions I started to have completely reframed the way I looked at it. And I thought, 'I have to get this information out there'.

"I can use my reach for good and inform women about their choices."

●Edited extract by NATASHA HARDING from *Menopausing* by Davina McCall and Dr Naomi Potter, published on Thursday (HQ, £22).



WHY IS MY LIBIDO MISSING IN ACTION?

EIGHTY-four per cent of perimenopausal and menopausal women think having an active sex life is important – but 80 per cent said the perimenopause or menopause had affected their sex drive.

So many women tell me their sex life is M.I.A. and they aren't sure they will ever get their mojo back.

I've been there. I felt spectacularly unattractive during my sweaty nights and my sore, dry vagina and my dry skin – and my brain fog. None of this made me feel sexy.

But I want you all to know that you can, and will, have mind-blowing, swinging-from-the-chandeliers sex during and after menopause (if you want it).

Oestrogen and testosterone are vital in terms of sexual function.

During the perimenopause, when levels fluctuate, you may notice your libido take a nosedive. You might not be as sensitive to touch

or just not feel in the mood as often.

This can particularly be the case if you have a surgical or medically induced menopause (when your body goes into menopause because of medical treatment or surgery), because of the sharp decline in hormones.

And even if your mind's saying, "Yes, let's do it!" Your body is saying "NO".

Vaginal dryness and symptoms such as UTIs can be a massive barrier to a happy sex life – and other things, like hot flushes or that tide we put on around our waists overnight.

All of these things are terrible for our self-esteem, which in turn is terrible for our libido.

Before HRT, I felt that I'd changed so much physically, and I was so tired from not sleeping.

I was exhausted from waking up all those times during the

night and it really affected how I felt about my body, which in turn affected how I felt about sex.

People often compare menopause to the world's worst PMS.

You know, that time of the month where, for one week, you

just hate everything and everyone.

Being menopausal can be a very lonely place. You can start feeling like you are the only person in the world who feels this way, and that no one understands what you are going through.

Home stress

But if you are in a relationship, that person has loved you for years, sometimes decades, right?

We're in our 40s and 50s, most of us, by the time this hits, and if they have loved you for decades, then they are going to be there for you now.

In most cases, there is no one set reason why sex drive can suffer during menopause.

Here are a few of the culprits. Vaginal dryness: Sore and painful, it's a

huge barrier to a healthy and fulfilling sex life.

Your vagina is less lubricated, more susceptible to infection, and dryness can also affect the clitoris, too.

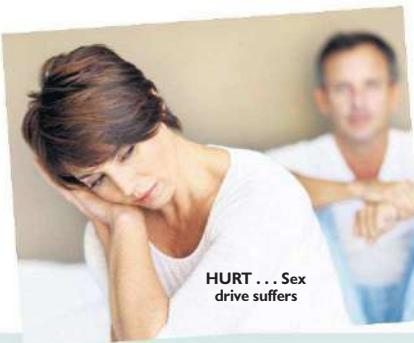
UTIs and other infections: Likewise, the oestrogen drop can also trigger similar changes in the urethra and leave you at risk of UTIs.

Other physical symptoms: Hot flushes and night sweats or weight gain can really affect your self-esteem.

Relationship problems: Often work and home stress, plus relationship tension, can spill over into your sex life.

A lack of communication or feeling irritable, frustrated or exasperated with your partner is hardly the recipe for a night of passion.

Add overwhelming tiredness, crippling headaches and aches and pains into the mix, and it is no wonder sex might be the last thing on your mind.



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Menopause symptoms

(The ones you know and the
ones no one tells you about)

- Hair loss
- Dry eyes
- Tinnitus
- Burning mouth
- Bleeding gums
- Palpitations
- Sore breasts
- Weight gain
- Dry, itchy skin
- Aching joints and muscles
- Fatigue
- Mood swings
- Brain fog
- UTIs
- Low sex drive
- Changing periods
- Vaginal dryness



If they have loved
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then your partner
is going to be
there for you now



Your health
questions
answered
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What can I do about it?

KEEPING the lines of communication open with your partner is key.

If your relationship is on solid ground, it will only help your sex life.

Talk about how you are feeling and let them know how they can help.

I think it's really helpful if you say, 'This is what I need you to do.' The first step in rediscovering your sex drive is addressing hormone issues.

And the first line of treatment would normally be HRT. This will help with symptoms such as fatigue, hot flushes and low mood, and this in itself can get your libido back fairly quickly.

If you suffer from vaginal dryness or recurrent UTIs, you may benefit from a topical oestrogen.

Applying oestrogen products directly to your vagina and vulva can ease symptoms and re-oestrogenise the tissues to enable them to become soft, supple and lubricated again.

There's a variety of types to choose from, including gel, creams, tablets and rings. Which one you opt for depends on personal preference and what fits in with your lifestyle.

Topical oestrogen carries practically no risk because it delivers oestrogen directly to the vagina and there is minimal absorption.

You can use it for as long as you are feeling the benefits, because it is safe



OPTIONS ... HRT
pills or topical cream

to use indefinitely.

There are also non-hormonal treatments such as water or oil-based lubricants and moisturisers that can improve dryness and make sex more comfortable. Once you are established on HRT, if your libido is still low, then testosterone may help.

Returning testosterone to normal levels can help to increase libido, and improve sexual function and orgasms.

Testosterone can be particularly important if you have had an early or surgical menopause, because symptoms of testosterone deficiency tend to be more profound.

A surgical menopause is a menopause that occurs immediately during surgery, when a sudden loss of testosterone can be very apparent.

This is a revolution. So if there's something that you've discovered and works for you, tell your friends about it.

In fact, tell everyone about it.

We all deserve to enjoy ourselves, with a partner or solo.

Spread the message

BE HONEST: Having honest, open conversations are at the heart of this – talking to friends, family, colleagues ... but also with yourself.

BE AN AMBASSADOR: Use the knowledge you have gained and talk, talk, talk, TALK about it.

BE AN ALLY: It might be an unspoken hunch that something is wrong during a meet with a mate. Or you spot someone on social media who is having a tough time. Reach out and give some words of encouragement, some support, the offer of a listening ear.

BE LOUD: If you hear the same old myths being peddled, challenge them. Set the record straight. Offer an educated viewpoint, give people the facts, the stats, the information they need to make an informed decision for themselves.

5 ways to make you look and feel younger

SMILE: Smiling makes you seem warm, positive, approachable and just someone people will want to be around. It is super-sexy, too.

GET YOUR TEETH DONE: You can't underestimate the power of a lovely set of gnashers. People love seeing a big smile, and getting your teeth fixed is a huge confidence boost (if you can afford it).

HITCH UP THOSE PUPPIES: Go and get a bra fitting. Buy something new – whether it's comfy, sexy, supportive, whatever – and bring a bit of cleavage back into your life.

NO MORE GROANING: Over the last few years, whenever I would bend down to take off my trainers, I would hear myself make groaning sounds. It instantly made me feel like I was 500 years old. If you've been doing it too, stop.

WALK WITH PURPOSE: Walking faster makes you appear younger and gives you those endorphins that we love. Put some tunes on in your ears and crack out the bangers! That will get you picking up the pace.

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Expert advice from our very own resident specialist and practising NHS GP, Dr Zoe Williams

WE all worry about our health sometimes – it's only natural.

But if your concerns are taking over and it's all you can think about, it is time to seek help.

You might be putting

it off due to embarrassment, or because you don't want to waste your GP's time. But I am here to tell you it is important to take care of yourself and ask for support when you need it.

Here are this week's reader questions . . .

Q • WHEN I need to urinate, I have to do Q • so almost immediately. The urgency is upon me and there is no waiting. I have tried pelvic-floor muscle exercises to no avail.

I have sometimes had a wee then returned to the bathroom within an hour to go again. This is now affecting my day-to-day living and my confidence is waning.

If I go out, I need to know there are public toilets close by. What is happening?

A • You describe symptoms of an overactive bladder, which can often cause urinary incontinence. There are two types of urinary incontinence.

The one we often hear about is leakage of urine when we cough, laugh, sneeze or jump. This is called stress incontinence, and it's when the muscles that hold urine in the bladder (including the pelvic floor and the urethral sphincter) are not strong enough to hold it in when the pressure enforced on the bladder is increased.

But when the symptoms you describe are associated with leakage, this is urge incontinence, and it's different.

This is when the detrusor muscles of the bladder wall are overactive and essentially contract and try to squeeze the urine out of the bladder before you are ready for them to do so.

So you have a very sudden, urgent need to go to the loo, sometimes before your bladder is full, and sometimes so urgently that you don't get there in time.

Sometimes people experience both stress and urge symptoms and we call this mixed incontinence.

Pelvic-floor training is a good place to start for all types, but it won't be the solution for everyone.

There are many possible treatments, ranging from lifestyle changes, devices, cognitive behavioural therapy and medication through to surgery.

A good next step for you would be "bladder training". This is to help you regain control of your overactive bladder by suppressing its contractions.

A helpful leaflet is available by searching "overactive bladder bath NHS" online. It's also worth noting that stress and anxiety can make the bladder more overactive.

If things don't improve, you should explore next steps with your GP.

Q • I AM absolutely beside myself and really don't know which way to turn. I have irritation down below that I have suffered from for years. I am very clean and I do not have an intimate relationship.

I used to think it was connected to when I had a period. I have had this for more than 20 years, but it seems to be getting worse.

It doesn't stop. I drink cranberry juice, I have used live yoghurt, I have had internal tablets and different creams. I just can't stand it any



• Urgent need to pee is affecting daily life and my confidence is waning •

• I'm getting loads of spider veins on my feet and ankles . . . why are they painful? •

Your spidery quest is in vein

Q • WHY do I keep getting loads of spider veins on my feet and ankles and why are they painful? What can I do to help stop them developing and is there anything I can put on them?

A • Spider veins usually appear as blue, purple or red dilated small veins that are visible on the skin. They are caused by venous insufficiency – the term for when your veins have problems sending blood back to the heart. It also causes varicose veins, which tend to be larger.

The job of most veins is to carry deoxygenated blood from the body, back to the heart. Veins have a one-way valve that closes once the blood goes through to prevent it flowing backwards.

If this valve stops working properly due to damage, the blood can then flow backwards and it can build up in the veins.

This can eventually cause these veins to become visible and appear as either spider or varicose veins.

Both are especially common in the lower legs, like in your case, because legs are the limbs furthest from the heart, and the blood flow also has to work against gravity, flowing upward.

However, it is possible for them to appear on any part of the body.

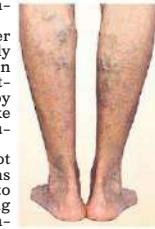
Spider veins are not usually painful, but if you also have varicose veins, in some people they can cause itching and aches or burning pain.

If your spider veins are actually sore to touch, then I would advise getting this checked by your GP to make sure they are actually spider veins.

Whether or not you get spider veins is largely down to genetics, but being active and maintaining a healthy weight as possible can help to reduce the risk. There isn't anything you can put on them to get rid of them.

There are some treatments, but these are only available in the private sector, because spider veins are usually only bothersome from a cosmetic appearance point of view.

The main treatments are either by laser, or injections into the veins, which is called sclerotherapy.



ASK Dr ZOE

Our GP answers all your niggling health worries

longer. I am shouting at people, I get road rage and at 66 I can't be doing that. The irritation is just outside the vagina entry.

When I spoke to a doctor's receptionist she said she went to a dermatologist. Please help me – is there anything I can do?

A • I'm so sorry that you are experiencing this infuriating symptom. It sounds like you are at your wits' end.

First and foremost, it is important to determine if there is an underlying disease. Potential causes include infections and skin conditions such as eczema and psoriasis.

A severe vulval itch may also be due to inflammatory conditions such as Lichen

simplex, Lichen sclerosus or Lichen planus. With any of these you would expect there to be some additional findings alongside the itch, and I'm guessing you have been assessed by your GP numerous times over the years.

If medical assessment finds no cause or skin condition, then this problem is referred to as "pruritus vulvae", which quite simply translates as itchy vulva.

The most common cause is actually irritation from something that the vulval skin is coming into contact with. This can be fabrics, dyes, soaps, semen, etc. but it can also be your own natural secretions.

Too much washing can also cause

irritation. Lack of oestrogen related to menopause can be a cause too.

If you've never seen a dermatologist, I would request a referral as they would be able to consider taking a skin biopsy of the area, which may be necessary to determine exactly what's going on.

If you haven't already, some things that could be tried while waiting for the dermatology appointment are: antihistamine tablets and hydrocortisone cream, which can be used safely and bought without a prescription.

If hormone depletion due to menopause is a possibility, then topical oestrogel, applied to the affected area, is worth a try.

Got a question for Dr Zoe? Email her at health@thesun.co.uk

E-cigarettes may awaken cancer cells

VAPING could cause cancer the same way as air pollution does.

Professor Charles Swanton, chief clinician of Cancer Research UK and the Francis Crick Institute, believes they are "almost certainly" safer than traditional cigs.

But he adds: "I don't think we can say vaping is necessarily safe. We don't know for certain it won't cause lung cancer ten years from now."

His comments come as Crick

scientists warn air pollution can trigger inflammation that "wakes up" dormant cells carrying mutations that could cause cancer – and the concern is, vaping may provoke the same process.

It could help explain why one in eight people diagnosed with lung cancer in the UK – around 6,000 a year – have never smoked, and why their tumours tend to have a different genetic profile to ones of those who do

smoke. Dr William Hill, also from Crick, says: "Finding ways to block or reduce inflammation caused by air pollution would go a long way to reducing risk of lung cancer in people who have never smoked."

There are also fears vapes are being marketed and sold to children. According to data from NHS Digital, one in five 15-year-olds in England now use e-cigarettes, attracted largely by colourful, sweet-like branding.



Light eaters happier

SOMETIMES nothing beats a bedtime snack, or a late night fridge raid after one too many at the pub.

But a new study has found that it's not just what you eat that counts.

When you eat plays a role in your health too, especially mental health.

Scientists at Brigham and Women's Hospital in the US say depression and anxiety levels can be affected by the time you eat.

They created a study where a group of people ate meals during the day and night-time, while a

second group only ate when the sun was up. For those in the daytime and night-time group, depression levels were found to increase by a whopping 26 per cent, while anxiety levels jumped by 16 per cent.

In the daytime-only eating group, no increases were spotted, suggesting that late-night snacking can negatively affect your mental health.

"Our study brings a new 'player' to the table: the timing of food intake matters for our mood," said Frank Scheer, a director at Brigham.

Tuesday



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SCHEDULES SUBJECT TO CHANGE



6am Breakfast A round-up of the latest headlines, in-depth interviews and analysis of political developments and current affairs. Plus, the day's leading sports stories and up-to-the-minute weather reports. (S,HD)

10.00 BBC News Special (S,HD)

11.15 HM The King In Northern Ireland King Charles III and Queen consort Camilla arrive in Belfast. (S,HD)

4.00 BBC News A round-up of the latest headlines, in-depth interviews and analysis of political developments and current affairs. Plus, the day's leading sports stories. (S,HD)

4.30 HM The Queen: The Journey To London Her Majesty The Queen's coffin makes its way to London. (S,HD)



9.30pm Alfie Moon makes a surprising entrance in EastEnders

6.05 am A To Z Of TV Gardening (R,S,HD)

6.50 Sign Zone: Nature's Weirdest Events (R,S,SL,HD)

7.20 Antiques Road Trip (R,S,HD)

8.05 Coast (R,S,HD)

9.05 Lifeline (R,S,HD)

9.15 Animal Park (R,S,HD)

10.00 The Farmers' Country Showdown (R,S,HD)

10.30 Wanted Down Under (R,S,HD)

11.15 Homes Under The Hammer (R,S,HD)

12.15 Bargain Hunt (R,S,HD)

1.00 BBC News (S,HD)

1.45 Doctors (S,HD)

2.15 Money For Nothing (R,S,HD)

3.00 Escape To The Country A couple search Powys for a house. (S,HD)

3.45 The Bidding Room (R,S,HD)

4.30 Antiques Road Trip (S,HD)

5.15 Flog It! Manchester's Museum of Science and Industry. (R,S,HD)



5.30pm Heather Knight and England take on India in the T20

6am Good Morning Britain Morning magazine featuring a lively mix of news and current affairs, plus health, entertainment and lifestyle features. (S,HD)

9.00 Lorraine Entertainment, current affairs and fashion news, as well as showbiz stories and celebrity gossip. Presented by Lorraine Kelly. (S,HD)

10.00 This Morning A mix of celebrity chat, lifestyle features, advice and competitions. Including Local Weather. (S,HD)

12.00 ITV News: The King's Tour: Northern Ireland Special report. (S,HD)

1.30 ITV News The key headlines. (S,HD)

4.00 ITV News: Queen Elizabeth II: Return To The Palace Special news report. (S,HD)

6.10 Regional News The latest headlines. (S,HD)



8pm Kim Tate is shocked to hear Jamie is alive in Emmerdale

6.10 am Countdown Word game. (R,S,HD)

6.50 3rd Rock From The Sun Double bill. (R,S)

7.40 Everybody Loves Raymond (R,S)

9.00 Frasier (R,S)

10.30 Four in a Bed (R,S,HD)

11.00 The Great House Giveaway (R,S,HD)

12.00 C4 News (S,HD)

12.30 Steph's Packed Lunch Magazine show. (S,HD)

2.10 Countdown Rick Edwards is in Dictionary Corner. (S,HD)

3.00 A Place In The Sun (R,S,HD)

4.00 Château DIY Ben and Vanessa rush to finish their new gin bar. (S,HD)

5.00 Moneybags Quiz with Craig Charles. (S,HD)

6.00 The Simpsons Bart is placed on experimental medication. (R,S,HD)

6.30 Hollyoaks Sam is lost for words after Zoe's revelation, and she opens up about what happened. (R,S,HD)



8pm Noel Fielding and Matt Lucas host The Great British Bake Off

6am Milkshake! (HD)

9.15 Jeremy Vine (S,HD)

12.45 Holiday Homes In The Sun (S,HD)

1.40 5 News (S,HD)

1.45 Home And Away Felicity hurls abuse at the police keeping her imprisoned. (S,HD)

2.15 A Midsummer's Hawaiian Dream Two couples go in search of an ancient relic in Hawaii, only to fall under a shaman's love spell. Romantic fantasy comedy starring Amy Carlson and Charles Shaughnessy. (2016) (S,HD)

4.00 Bargain-Loving Brits In The Sun Following the staff of the Mad Munk in Benidorm. (R,S,HD)

5.00 5 News At 5 (S,HD)

6.00 Cash In The Attic Helping people make money from the items they have accumulated over the years. (S,HD)



9pm Michael Portillo traces his dad's footsteps in The Pyrenees

Freeview: 237 Freesat: 217 Sky: 526 Virgin: 627

6am James Max The host's early breakfast show provides an initial insight into the day's top stories. (HD)

6.30 The Julia Hartley-Brewer Breakfast Show The Queen of Breakfast radio covers all the stories you need to know to start your day. (HD)

10.00 The Independent Republic Of Mike Graham The host tears his way through the morning newspapers, and brings a much-needed dose of common sense to the day's big stories. (HD)

1.00 Ian Collins Charm, wit and sophistication personified, Ian Collins, cuts through the echo-chamber with debates and dedicated time for your calls. (HD)

4.00 Vanessa Feltz (HD)



8pm Piers Morgan presents his verdict on events in Uncensored

6.05 BBC News A round-up of the latest headlines, in-depth interviews and analysis of political developments and current affairs. Plus, the day's leading sports stories and up-to-the-minute weather reports. (S,HD)

6.25 Regional News (S)

6.45 The Eve Of The Procession To Lying-In-State (S,HD)

9.00 The One Show

Another mix of nationwide reports and live studio-based chat. (S,HD)

9.30 EastEnders

Kat is less than pleased to see ex-husband Alfie, who begs her not to marry Phil. But when she puts him in his place, he goes to extreme lengths to get what he wants. Billy panics when he learns what Freddie has done, Mick feels helpless trying to help Frankie and Phil's exes Sharon, Kathy and Shirley toast to no longer being part of his life. (S,HD)

10.00 BBC News A round-up of the latest headlines, in-depth interviews and analysis of political developments. (S,HD)

10.30 Regional News (S)

11.10 -6am BBC News (S,HD)

5.30 Women's T20 Cricket England v India. **LIVE** Coverage of the second match of the series, which comes from The Incora County Ground in Derby. (S,HD)

7.00 Celebrity Antiques Road Trip

Famous faces embark on the cross-country treasure-hunting challenge. (R,S,HD)

8.00 Fake Or Fortune?

(4/4) The origins of a 17th-century painting of Christ having just been brought down from the cross. (S,HD)

9.00 All That Glitters: Britain's Next Jewellery Star

Eight talented jewellers battle it out to prove they can be the next big jewellery-making sensation. (R,S,HD)

10.30 Newsnight (S,HD)

Followed by **Weather**

11.15 Martin Compston's Scottish Fling

(1/6) The Line of Duty star travels across his homeland with his best friend and TV presenter Phil MacHugh. (R,S,HD)

11.45 Inside The Factory XL: Diggers (R,S,HD)

12.45 Sign Zone: Picturing Elizabeth - Her Life In Images (R,S,SL,HD)

1.45-2.45am The Hotel People (R,S,SL,HD)

6.20 ITV News A round-up of the latest headlines, in-depth interviews and analysis of political developments and current affairs. Plus, the day's leading sports stories and weather reports. (S,HD)

8.05 Emmerdale

The police show Kim definitive proof that Jamie is alive, and after overhearing Kim talk about her dad, a confused and upset Millie runs away. A guilty Mackenzie beats himself up over his affair and he plans on telling Charity the truth, but soon backtracks as he follows a suggestive Charity upstairs. (S,HD)

9.05 Charles, The Monarch And The Map (S,HD)

10.00 ITV News At Ten

A round-up of the latest headlines, in-depth interviews and analysis of political developments and current affairs. (S,HD)

11.00 Our Queen The People's Stories (S,HD)

12.00 Teleshopping (HD) **3.00**

Take The Tower (R,S,SL,HD) **3.45** Unwind With ITV (S,HD) **5.10-6am** Ainsley's Mediterranean Cookbook (R,S,HD)

7.00 C4 News (S,HD)

8.00 The Great British Bake Off

NEW (1/10) Noel Fielding and Matt Lucas welcome 12 new contestants into the tent, baking mini cakes and two sponges, including one in the shape of a house close to their hearts. (S,HD)

9.30 First Dates Hotel

Twins Bethany and Shannon arrive at the Italian hotel on the lookout for love, while Annie is paired with Rachel on a date that proves opposites do attract. (S,HD)

10.30 Rosie Jones' Trip Hazard

(4/5) Rosie and rapper Lady Leshurr face a 418ft abseil challenge in Northampton. (S,HD)

11.35 Gogglebox

The armchair critics share their opinions on what they have been watching. (R,S,HD)

12.35 24 Hours in A&E

(R,S,HD) **1.30** The Simpsons (R,S) **2.20** **FILM:** The Dressmaker. Drama with Kate Winslet and Judy Davis. (2015) (S,HD)

4.15 Perfect House, Secret Location (R,S,SL,HD)

5.15-6.10am The Great Home Transformation (R,S,SL,HD)

Chocolate (R,S,HD) **4.45** Amazing Cakes & Bakes (R,S,HD) **5.30** Peppa Pig (R,S,SL) **5.35** Paw Patrol (R,S) **5.50-6am** Fireman Sam (R,S,SL,HD)

7.00 Dogs Behaving (Very) Badly

(2/10) Graeme Hall treats a dog that has become aggressive towards other dogs after being attacked. (R,S,HD)

Then 5 News Update

8.00 The Yorkshire Vet

(2/11) Peter Wright helps a cow that is expecting twins, and farmer Will is worried that neither calf will survive. Julian Norton meets a champion ferret with an infection. (S,HD)

9.00 The Pyrenees With Michael Portillo

(4/4) The broadcaster retraces the route through the Catalonian Pyrenees his father used to flee in 1939 as a political refugee from the Civil War. (S,HD)

10.00 The Great Smog: Winter of '52

Exploring the fear that paralysed London. (S,HD)

11.00 FILM An Officer and a Gentleman (1982)

(R,S,HD) **1.20** Casualty 24/7: Every Second Counts (R,S,HD) **2.10** A&E After Dark (R,S,HD)

3.05 Britain's Favourite Chocolate (R,S,HD)

Amazing Cakes & Bakes (R,S,HD)

5.30 Peppa Pig (R,S,SL) **5.35** Paw Patrol (R,S)

6am Fireman Sam (R,S,SL,HD)

7.00 The News Desk With Tom Newton Dunn **LIVE** The host tackles the biggest stories of the day with a packed hour of news, expert analysis, debate and exclusives from across the UK. (HD)

8.00 Piers Morgan Uncensored **LIVE** The host presents his unmissable verdict on the day's global events with an hour of fearless debate, straight-talking interviews with the world's leading figures, and plenty of fun. (HD)

9.00 The Talk **LIVE** PRIMETIME

A panel of famous faces from the worlds of politics, showbiz, business and current affairs to debate the hot topics everybody's talking about. (HD)

10.00 Daisy McAndrew The host discusses the day's big stories and looks forward to the following day's newspapers. (HD)

11.00 Piers Morgan Uncensored (R,HD)

12.00 Petrie Hosken The latest news. (HD) **4.00** The Talk (R,HD) **5.00-**

6am James Max (HD)

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DISGUISE ... actor as Boris

KEN CONS CREW IN BOJO SUIT

WE'VE already been treated to images of SIR KENNETH BRANAGH's transformation into BORIS JOHNSON for upcoming Sky Atlantic drama This England.

But when newcomers to the set of the show first saw him in the fat suit and facial prosthetics, they got the shock of their life – and actually thought the ex-PM had dropped in on filming.

Kenneth said that his metamorphosis into BoJo was constructed "from the Y-fronts up" and added: "Obviously, the people working on the show knew who you were. "But if there were some people on set who were new

to the job, and you walked out of the loo and walked past them, that would suddenly remind you for a moment – as their faces hung with jaws open at the idea that the Prime Minister had just walked out of the loo.

"That was when you were reminded of how it worked."

The drama was due to be screened on September 21 but has now been moved to September 28 due to the Queen's death.

FLEUR: MY AIM TO BE UK OPRAH

FLEUR EAST is preparing to sparkle on the Strictly dancefloor – but her dreams go way beyond winning the Glitterball Trophy.

The pop star turned radio DJ has plans to become the UK's answer to US talk show queen OPRAH WINFREY.

Fleur said: "To have my own talk show would be the ultimate dream. My dream job would be to be the next Oprah."

"I know it is a big ambition but you have to dream big."

TALK ... Fleur The former X Factor

contestant added: "I studied journalism in uni."

"I love interviewing and speaking to people but I want to do it all."

"Oprah acts, presents, interviews, performs ... she does everything I want to do."

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I'll Corrie on in I'm A Celeb

STREET'S ANDY BACK FOR ALL STARS VERSION



CORRIE'S ANDY WHYMENT will be heading back to camp for I'm A Celeb's All Stars version.

The actor, who has played Kirk Sutherland on the ITV soap for the past 22 years, finished a close second on the regular show in 2019.

He proved a huge hit with viewers during his time in the Australian jungle.

Now he's off to South Africa for the spin-off, which has already had a long line of former contestants signing up.

A TV insider said: "Andy is hugely popular with audiences, who love his down-to-earth nature and sense of humour.

"He's the perfect antidote to some of the divas and egos who are likely to be in the final line-up and producers are keen to strike the right balance."

I exclusively revealed that bosses have already targeted model JANICE DICKINSON, PRINCESS DIANA's former butler PAUL BURRELL and DIVERSITY dancer JORDAN BANJO. And it



TEAR WE GO ... Andy

comes on top of other names such as boxer AMIR KHAN, EastEnders actor DEAN GAFFNEY and GEORGIA TOFFOLO.

Andy will be joined by another Weatherfield star, HELEN FLANAGAN, who played Rosie Webster.

She was on I'm A Celebrity in 2012, the same year that EastEnders actress CHARLIE BROOKS was crowned Queen of the Jungle.

Andy bowed over viewers with his modest character.

He even broke down in tears when he made it through to the final two in 2019, beating huge names including CAITLYN JENNER.

Emotional Andy said: "It means so much to me that people are supporting me as Andy instead of just Kirk."

He added: "I came in here with 55,000 followers, I think, on Twitter, Caitlyn Jenner has got 10million, so I can't believe I beat her."

I reckon he might go all the way this time and win the All Stars version.

A SCAR IN HER OWN RIGHT ...



WINNING TEAM ... with Ant and Dec at the NTAs in 2017

WINNING I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here in 2016 rocketed SCARLETT MOFFATT from Gogglebox regular to a job on ITV primetime.

ANT and DEC took her under their wing, installing her as a host on Saturday Night Takeaway and jungle spin-off Extra Camp.

But six years on, Scarlett reckons she doesn't need their help any more.

She said in an exclusive chat: "That was so good when I first came out of the jungle."

"Ant and Dec were both so lovely, and you know, they taught us how to present really."

"That was always quite a little role. I've been doing it a long time now so ..."

So?

Fading to silence, Scarlett, who has hosted a Radio 1 podcast with her boyfriend Scott Dobinson since 2020 and also presented Britain's Tourette's Mystery on Channel 4, then added: "Well, everyone needs ... Like they taught us a lot, but ..."

Awkward.

SIGHTS SET ON A MATCH

AS if there wasn't enough drama already, four new hopefuls are heading into E4's Married At First Sight.

They will be the latest singletons looking for a future partner and to tie the knot with a stranger.

Glam Sophie from Manchester is a career girl in the tech industry who wants an ambitious fella that matches her drive, while feisty Gemma, from Devon, describes herself as "a bad bitch". Let's hope Jonathan from Selby, North Yorks, and Matt, from Huddersfield, can keep up when they join the experiment on Thursday's show.

NEWBIE WEDS
... from left, Sophie, Jonathan, Matt and Gemma

Tuesday



FREVIEW

BBC THREE freview 23

7pm Top Gear: The Catch Up **8.00** The Fast And The Farmer-ish **9.00** Squad Dates **10.00** The Rap Game UK **11.00** Ladhood **11.25** This Country **11.50** The Fast and the Farmer-ish **12.50** Squad Dates **1.50** The Rap Game UK **2.45-3.40am** This Country

BBC FOUR freview 9

7pm Live Women's T20 Cricket. England v India. Coverage of the second match of the series. **9.30** Gorbachev. Heaven: Storyville **11.10** Ted Hughes: Stronger Than Death **12.40** Sylvia Plath: Inside The Bell Jar **1.40** The Normans **2.10-2.40am** Cities: Nature's New Wild

ITV2 freview 6

6am World's Funniest Videos **7.00** Love Bites **8.00** Secret Crush **9.00** Veronica Mars **10.00** One Tree Hill **11.00** Hart Of Dixie **12.00** Supermarket Sweep **1.00** Family Fortunes **2.00** The Masked Singer US **3.05** Veronica Mars **4.00** One Tree Hill **5.00** Hart Of Dixie **6.00** Catchphrase Celebrity Special **7.00** Secret Crush **8.00** Bob's Burgers **9.00** Family Guy **10.00** Plebs **11.00** Family Guy **11.30** American Dad! **12.25** Bob's Burgers **1.25** All American **2.20** World's Funniest Videos **2.45-3am** Unwind

ITV3 freview 10

6am Classic Coronation Street **7.00** Classic Emmerdale **8.05** That's My Boy **9.15** The Royal **11.30** Heartbeat **1.40** Classic Emmerdale **2.45** Classic Coronation Street **3.50** Poirot **6.00** Heartbeat **8.00** Martin Clunes: Islands Of The Pacific **9.00** Midmovers **11.00** Professor T **1.10** The Royal **2.10-2.30am** Unwind With ITV

ITV4 freview 26

6am The Adventures Of Sherlock Holmes **6.55** The Saint **7.55** Magnum, PI **8.55** The Sweeney **10.00** Minder **11.10** The Adventures Of Sherlock Holmes **12.20** The Saint **1.30** Match Time Revisited **2.35** Magnum, PI **3.35** The Sweeney **4.45** Minder **5.55** Match Time Revisited **7.00** Who Wants To Be A Millionaire? **8.00** World Superbike Highlights **9.00** FILM Creed II (2018) **11.40** All Elite Wrestling: Rampage **12.50** Auto Mundial **1.20** Motorsport Mundial **1.45** The Sweeney **2.40-3am** Unwind With ITV

E4 freview 13

7am Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **8.00** Black-ish **9.00** How I Met Your Mother **10.00** The Big Bang Theory **11.00** Young Sheldon **12.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **1.00** The Big Bang Theory **3.00** Young Sheldon **4.00** Married At First Sight UK **5.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** Below Deck: Mediterranean **9.00** Married At First Sight UK. Two grooms arrive alone to the second dinner party. **10.00** Celeb Cooking School **11.05** Naked Attraction **12.10** First Dates Hotel **1.15** Married At First Sight UK **2.15** Celeb Cooking School **3.10-4am** Below Deck: Mediterranean

MORE4 freview 18

8.55am Kirstie's Vintage Gems **9.15** A Place In The Sun **11.05** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **1.10** Heir Hunters **2.10** Four In A Bed **4.50** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **5.55** Car SOS **6.55** Escape To The Chateau **7.55** The Yorkshire Dales And The Lakes **9.00** Chernobyl: The New Evidence **10.00** Japan's Tsunami: Caught On Camera. Amateur footage and eyewitness accounts. **11.20** 24 Hours In A&E **12.25** 999: On The Front Line **1.25-2.30am** Chernobyl: The New Evidence

ENTERTAINMENT



Sky Showcase **9pm** Amir Arison stars as Aram Mojtabai in the drama The Blacklist

SKY SHOWCASE

6am The Early Rundown **7.00** Kay Burley **8.00** Monkey Life **9.00** Nothing To Declare **10.00** Supergirl **11.00** NCIS: New Orleans **1.00** Hawaii Five-O **2.00** MacGyver **3.00** The Equalizer **4.00** Big Cat Country **5.00** The Simpsons **5.30** Futurama **6.30** The Simpsons **8.00** A League Of Their Own. With Aaron Ramsdale, Michael Sheen, Alex Brooker and Emily Atack **9.00** The Blacklist. Aram turns to an unusual outlet for release. **10.00** The 74th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards. Highlights of the ceremony. **12.00** Brassic **1.00** Road Wars **2.00** NCIS: New Orleans **3.00** Hawaii Five-O **4.00** MacGyver **5.00-6am** The Early Rundown

POWERFUL . . . Trevante Rhodes portrays boxer Mike Tyson



PICK freview 36

7am Star Trek: Enterprise **8.00** Star Trek: Deep Space Nine **9.00** Police Ten **7.10.00** Nothing To Declare **11.00** Highway Patrol **12.00** Road Wars **1.00** Border Patrol **2.00** Nothing To Declare **4.00** Stargate SG-1 **5.00** Star Trek: Enterprise **6.00** Star Trek: Deep Space Nine **7.00** Hawaii Five-O **8.00** Magnum P.I. **9.00** The Rookie **10.00** Banshee **12.00** The Killer Within **1.00** The Force: North East **2.00** Nothing To Declare **3.00** Border Patrol **4.00-5am** Motorway Patrol DAVE freview 19

8am Border Force: America's Gatekeepers **9.00** Storage Hunters UK **10.00** Sin City **11.00** Expedition With Steve Backshall **12.00** Bangers And Cash **1.00** Border Force: America's Gatekeepers **2.00** Top Gear **3.00** Rick Stein's Secret France **4.00** Top Gear **5.00** Rick Stein's Secret France **6.00** Taskmaster



E4 8pm Jen is homesick and feels under-used in Below Deck: Mediterranean

7.00 Richard Osman's House Of Games **7.40** Room **10.1** **8.20** Would I Lie To You? **9.00** QI **XL 10.00** Live At The Apollo **11.00** Have I Got A Bit More News For You **12.00** Mock The Week **12.40** QI **11.5** QI XL **2.25** Room **101** **2.55** Would I Lie To You? **3.25-4am** Mock The Week DRAMA freview 20

8.40am The Bill **9.40** Classic Hobley City **11.00** Casualty **12.00** The Bill **1.00** Classic EastEnders **2.15** Monarch Of The Glen **3.20** A Place To Call Home **4.20** All Creatures Great And Small **5.20** Birds Of A Feather **6.00** Are You Being Served? **6.40** Allo! Allo! **7.20** Last Of The Summer Wine **8.00** Dalziel & Pascoe **10.00** New Tricks **11.20** Spooks **12.40** Bad Girls **1.50** Les Misérables **3.05-4am** Birds Of A Feather

SKY ATLANTIC

6am Fish Town **7.45** Boardwalk Empire **10.00** The Sopranos **12.15** Ray Donovan **2.25** Game Of Thrones **3.30** Boardwalk Empire **5.45** The Sopranos **7.55** Game Of Thrones. Theon embarks on a hunt as he tries to prove his Ironborn status. **9.00** Irma Vep. Mira experiences a spiritual breakthrough after a visit with Rene. **10.05** House Of The Dragon. Game Of Thrones prequel starring Paddy Considine. **11.10** Munich Games **1.10** Succession **2.20** The Affair **3.30** In Treatment **4.00-6am** Fish Town SKY WITNESS

6am UK Border Force **7.00** Stop, Search, Seize **8.00** Border Patrol **9.00** Road Wars **10.00** Air Ambulance ER **11.00** The Good Doctor **12.00** 9-1-1 **1.00** FBI **2.00** Blue Bloods **3.00** The Equalizer **4.00** Paramedics Australia **5.00** Nothing To Declare **8.00** Blue Bloods. Baker is assaulted on the street. **9.00** Law & Order: Organized Crime. The task force makes a critical arrest in the case against the Brotherhood. **10.00** Coroner. Jenny and Donovan investigate a mysterious death in a haunted house. **11.00** 9-1-1 **12.00** The Equalizer **1.00** New Amsterdam **2.00** Bull **3.00** FBI **4.00** Road Wars **5.00-6am** Brit Cops: Rapid Response GOLD

7.50am Outnumbered **8.25** 2point4 Children **9.00** Hi-De-Hi! **9.35** Still Open All Hours **10.15** Last Of The Summer Wine **11.30** Desmond's **12.05** 2point4 Children **12.40** Dad's Army

REALLY freview 17

6am Fantasy Homes By The Sea **7.00** Teleshopping **8.00** Saving Lives At Sea **9.00** The Repair Shop **10.00** Antiques Road Trip **12.00** Money For Nothing **1.00** The Hotel Inspector **2.00** Animal Cops Houston **4.00** Dr Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet **5.00** Ambulance **6.00** Money For Nothing **7.00** Antiques Road Trip **9.00** The Great British Sewing Bee **10.00** Ghost Adventures **12.00** Portals To Hell **1.00** Ghost Adventures **2.00** Teleshopping **4.00-6am** Animal Cops Houston

YESTERDAY freview 27

6am Warbird Workshop **8.00** Abandoned Engineering **9.00** The World At War **10.00** War Factories **11.00** Abandoned Engineering **12.00** The Architecture The Railways Built **1.00** Bangers And Cash **2.00** Abandoned Engineering **4.00** War Factories **5.00** The World At War **6.00** The Architecture The Railways Built **7.00** Abandoned Engineering **8.00** Train Truckers **9.00** Bangers And Cash **11.00** Abandoned Engineering **12.00** The Architecture The Railways Built **1.00-3am** Warbird Workshop

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6.10am MasterChef Australia **7.00** Property Brothers: Forever Homes **8.00** Tipping Point **10.00** 999 Rescue Squad **11.00** Inside The Ambulance: Coast And Country **2.00** Tipping Point **4.00** My Dream Home **5.00** Property Brothers: Forever Homes **7.00** MasterChef Australia **8.00** DIY SOS: The Big Build **9.20** Dating With My Mates **10.20** Should I Go Under The Knife? **11.20** Stacey Dooley Sleeps Over **12.20** Inside The Ambulance: Coast And Country **1.15-3am** Tipping Point QUEST freview 12

6am How Do They Do It? **6.25** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **7.10** The Repair Shop **8.00** American Pickers **10.00** Chasing Classic Cars **11.00** Fantomworks **12.00** Scrap Cars **1.00** Money For Nothing **2.00** The Repair Shop **3.00** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **4.00** Salvage Hunters **5.00** Salvage Hunters: Classic Cars **6.00** Wheeler Dealers **7.00** Outback Opal Hunters **8.00** Salvage Hunters **9.00** Scrapyard Dynasty **10.00** Demolition Down Under **11.00** How Do They Do It? **12.00** Wheeler Dealers **1.00** Chasing Classic Cars **2.00** American Chopper **3.00** Mighty Ships **4.00** How It's Made **5.00-6am** Teleshopping

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6am How Do They Do It? **6.25** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **7.10** The Repair Shop **8.00** American Pickers **10.00** Chasing Classic Cars **11.00** Fantomworks **12.00** Scrap Cars **1.00** Money For Nothing **2.00** The Repair Shop **3.00** Find It, Fix It, Flog It **4.00** Salvage Hunters **5.00** Salvage Hunters: Classic Cars **6.00** Wheeler Dealers **7.00** Outback Opal Hunters **8.00** Salvage Hunters **9.00** Scrapyard Dynasty **10.00** Demolition Down Under **11.00** How Do They Do It? **12.00** Wheeler Dealers **1.00** Chasing Classic Cars **2.00** American Chopper **3.00** Mighty Ships **4.00** How It's Made **5.00-6am** Teleshopping

COMEDY CENTRAL

8am Most Ridiculous Sports **8.35** Most Ridiculous Party Crashers **9.00** Takehiko's Castle **10.00** Your Face Or Mine **11.00** Friends **9.00** FILM Police Academy. Comedy starring Steve Guttenberg. **1984** **11.00** Ridiculousness **12.00** South Park **2.00** The Ricky Gervais Show **3.00** Bob's Burgers **3.45-5am** Friends

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7.15am Murdoch Mysteries **9.00** The Doctor Blake Mysteries **10.00** Unforgettable **11.00** Rizzoli & Isles **12.00** Death In Paradise **1.00** Father Brown **2.00** Murdoch Mysteries **4.00** The Doctor Blake Mysteries **5.00** Unforgettable **6.00** Major Crimes **7.00** Rizzoli & Isles **8.00** Death In Paradise **9.00** The Game. Wendy's undercover mission becomes critical. **10.15** Death In Paradise. A bus passenger is stabbed but no one else saw it happen. **11.15** Murdoch Mysteries **12.15** The Doctor Blake Mysteries **1.10** Father Brown **2.10-4am** Limetown

MIKE Disney+

MIKE Tyson is one of the world's greatest boxers, but in this new eight-part drama about his life, there's very little action inside the ring.

Indeed, you really shouldn't tune into Mike, now available to stream on Disney+, to relive his epic knockouts and defeats.

This story is about his life – how a bullied, chubby street kid from Brooklyn, New York, with a soft spot for pigeons, spent much of his youth behind bars before going onto become the heavyweight champion of the world.

Made by Steven Rogers and

Craig Gillespie, writer and director of I, Tonya – their brilliant biopic of figure-skater Tonya Harding – the series has more than a whiff of that 2017 Oscar-nominated flick.

Trevante Rhodes, the actor who depicts Tyson in his adult years, has a debatable resemblance to 'Iron' Mike, but has the boxer's high-pitched voice and lisp nailed (even if, at times, the voice is hard to understand, particularly during Tyson's one-man show routines that frame all the episodes.) It is

Rhodes who narrates throughout, at times looking into the camera to drill home his most cutting comments.

Mike Tyson himself claims that Mike was unauthorised and has voiced his frustration that he didn't receive a penny for his 'life story' being played on screen.

But he should be relieved, too, as the drama is at times one-sided, reasoning that Tyson is some kind of tragic hero where some of his most brutal acts of violence are

5.30 Lionesses Special: Their Story **6.30** MLS Round-Up Show. Review of the latest round.

7.00 Inside The WSL: Beth Mead

7.30 LIVE EFL Preston North End v Burnley. Kick-off at 8.00. Coverage from Deepdale.

10.30 Lionesses Special: Their Story

The players tell the story of their journey towards victory under the Wembley arch.

11.30 Inside The WSL: Beth Mead

12.00 Championship Season Review **1.00** LIVE MLS. Minnesota United FC v Los Angeles FC. Kick-off at 10.00. **3.10** MLS Greatest Games **3.15** Jimmy Glass: The Great Escape **3.45-4am** EFL Greatest Games

SKY SPORTS NFL

9am NFL Bitesize Highlights **9.15** Flight 2022 **10.00** NFL Highlights **11.00** NFL Bitesize **12.00** NBC's Pro-Football Talk **2.00** NFL Highlights **4.00** NFL Bitesize Highlights **5.00** NFL Highlights **6.00** Good Morning Football **9.00** NFL Review Show **Highlights and analysis of the week one fixtures.**

11.00 NFL Fantasy

12.00 Total Access **1.00** NFL Review Show **3.00** NFL Highlights **4.00-6am** NFL Review

SKY SPORTS ARENA

8.15am Women's Super League **8.30** Betfred Super League Highlights **9.00** NBA Basketball **12.00** Betfred Super League Highlights **1.00** The Rugby Championship **3.00** Betfred Super League Highlights **4.00** Fight Night **5.00** Fight Night International

7.00 Top Rank Boxing Archive

8.00 WNBA Las Vegas Aces v Connecticut Sun. At Michelob Ultra Arena.

9.45 Women's Super League

10.15 Betfred Super League Highlights Action from Leeds Rhinos v Castleford Tigers. **10.30** Super League: The Detail Harry Newman joins Jon Wells to look back at some of his best moments in a Leeds Rhinos shirt.

11.00 Betfred Super League Highlights

11.30 The Rugby Championship Another chance to see New Zealand v Argentina from the third round of fixtures.

1.30 NBA: The Way We Ball: France **2.00** **4.45** LIVE WNBA. Las Vegas Aces v Connecticut Sun. Tip-off at 2.00.

BT SPORT 1

7am UEFA Europa League & Conference League Magazine **8.00** BT Sport Goals Reload

SKY COMEDY

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concerned. However, the sympathy towards Tyson does switch in episode five.

It is dedicated to his 1992 rape trial and told solely from the perspective of victim Desirée Washington, played by the impressive Li Ebanks.

There is no reasoning behind the fighter's actions here, as her graphic court testimony plays out in full.

With eight 30-minute episodes, Mike can be easily binged and nobody can argue his life story does not warrant dramatization.

However, much like the drama's scarce boxing footage, it does lack a bit of punch.

FELICITY CROSS

BAKE ON ... Paul and the gang

THE GREAT BRITISH BAKE OFF, C4, 8pm: We could all do with something comforting to watch right now, and telly doesn't get much more comforting than *Bake Off*.

Following a warm welcome from Matt Lucas and Noel Fielding, it's straight down to work, and where better to begin than with *Cake Week*.

First up, it's the signature challenge – 12 identical mini sandwich cakes. Then it's onto the technical, in which they must produce a perfectly layered Red Velvet for judges Paul Hollywood and Prue Leith.

And for the showstopper, the gang bake a 3D replica of their home, using sponge. As ever, the



new contestants are a fun bunch, with early faves including County Antrim lass Rebs, who's been baking since she was three, and Glaswegian kilt-wearing nuclear scientist James.

CHARLES THE MONARCH AND THE MAN, ITV, 9.05pm: What a bittersweet time this is for our new monarch, King Charles. He grieves the death of his beloved mother but also accedes to a role he's waited a lifetime for.

But how will he approach his new position? This one-off takes a personal look at Charles and wonders if the individuality and, at times, controversy of his years as a prince will continue during his reign as king.

THE 74TH PRIMETIME EMMY AWARDS, Sky Max, 10pm: The annual Emmy Awards took place last night, and this highlights special brings us the best moments.

There were some seriously big shows slugging it out, including Better Call Saul going up against Succession and Squid Game for the Outstanding Drama Series gong. Meanwhile, Jodie Comer,

her *Killing Eve* co-star Sandra Oh, Laura Linney, Melanie Lynskey, Zendaya and Reese Witherspoon were all up for the Lead Actress in a Drama award.

THE PYRENEES WITH MICHAEL PORTILLO, C5, 9pm: In the last episode of what's been an enjoyable, informative and affecting series, Michael opens up about how his dad escaped the Spanish Civil War, retracing his steps through the Catalan Pyrenees.

It's an emotional moment for the former MP, who reflects on the suffering his father experienced.

A fitting way to end his journey.

DAVID BELL

8.15 Gallagher Premiership Rugby Highlights
9.45 Rugby Tonight **10.30** BT Sport Goals Reload **10.45** UEFA Champions League Goals Reload **11.00** **LIVE** UEFA Youth League. Sporting Lisbon U19 v Tottenham Hotspur U19. Kick-off at 11.00. **1.00** ESPN FC **1.30** Premier League **3.00** **LIVE** UEFA Youth League. Liverpool U19 v Ajax U19. Kick-off at 3.00. **5.00** ESPN FC **5.30** **LIVE** UEFA Champions League. Viktoria Plzen v Inter Milan. Kick-off at 5.45. **7.45** UCL Goals Show **10.15** BT Sport Films **11.15** BT Sport Goals Reload **11.30** Gallagher Premiership Rugby Highlights **1.00-3.15am** **LIVE** WWE NXT. The next generation of wrestling superstars showcase their talents.

BT SPORT 2

6am One Day International Cricket **7.00** WRC Review **8.00** World Padel Tour **10.00** Canadian Premier League **2.00** 30 For 30 **3.00** 30 For 30 **4.00** UEFA Champions League Magazine **4.30** World Padel Tour **6.30** Joe Cole Cast **7.00** **LIVE** UEFA Champions League. Liverpool v Ajax. Kick-off at 8.00. **10.30** UEFA Champions League Tonight. A look back at all the key talking points from tonight's matches. **11.30** Joe Cole Cast **12.00** **LIVE** MLB. Boston Red Sox v New York Yankees. Start-time at 12.00. **3.30** Kite Masters **4.00** One Day International Cricket **5.00-6am** UEFA Europa League & Conference League Magazine

PREMIER SPORTS 1

6am Top 14 Rugby Union **8.00** MLS **10.00** Top 14 Rugby Union Highlights **11.00** LaLiga **1.00** LaLiga Matches Highlights **2.00** LaLiga News. A round-up show with highlights of every game played on the latest matchday, plus the pick for best player, goal and save of the weekend. **2.30** Bike World **3.00** LaLiga **5.00** Top 14 Rugby Union Highlights **6.00** Viva LaLiga. Daily panel show discussing the big stories in Spain's top flight.

7.30 **NASCAR** Highlights Action from the Hollywood Casino 400.

8.00 **LaLiga World** A round-up of recent action.

9.00 **The MLS Show** Action from the latest round of Major League Soccer.

9.30 **Top 14 Rugby Union Highlights** Action from France's top domestic competition.

10.00 **LaLiga** Rayo Vallecano v Valencia.

12.00 Swedish Speedway **2.00-6am** NASCAR

TALKSPORT 103, 1089MW talksport.com

6am TalkSPORT Breakfast **10.00** Jim White And Simon Jordan **1.00** Hawksbee & Baker **4.00** TalkSPORT Drive **7.00** Kick Off **10.00** Sports Bar **12.00** Extra Time **5.00-6am** Breakfast

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6am Sportiday **9.00** Exclusives **1.00** The Social **5.00** Exclusives **6.00** Cricket Collective **8.00** Exclusives **5.00-6am** Early Breakfast

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6am Aasmah Mir And Stig Abell **10.00** Matt Chorley **1.00** Mariella Frostrup **4.00** John Pienaar At Drive **7.00** Henry Bonsu **10.00** Carole Walker **1.00** Stories Of Our Times **1.30** Red Box **2.00** Highlights **5.00-6am** Breakfast

RADIO 1 97.6-98.8FM bbc.co.uk/radio1

6.57am Newsbeat **7.00** Greg James **10.30** Newsbeat **10.32** Rickie, Melvin And Charlie **12.00** Live Lounge **12.45** Newsbeat **1.00** Dean And Vicki **3.30** Newsbeat **3.32** Going Home **5.45** Newsbeat **6.00** Future Sounds **10.00** Power Down **11.00** Annie Nightingale **1.00** Reading + Leeds 2022 **2.00** Get Set **3.00** Best Song Ever **4.00** Dance **5.00-6.57am** Arielle Free

RADIO 2 88.9FM bbc.co.uk/radio2

6.30am Zoe Ball **9.30** Ken Bruce **12.00** Jeremy Vine **2.00** Steve Wright **5.00** Sara Cox **7.00** Jo Whiley **9.00** Remembering Our Queen **10.00** Trevor Nelson **12.00** OJ Borg **3.00** Pick Of The Pops (R) **4.00-6.30am** Breakfast Show

MOVIES

Film4 9pm Harrison Ford stars in the action adventure *Raiders Of The Lost Ark*

SKY CINEMA PREMIERE

9.45am American Carnage (15, 2022) **★★★** **11.40** A Journal For Jordan (12, 2021) **★★★** **2.00** The 355 (12, 2022) **★★★** **4.20** Monstrous (15, 2022) **★★** **6.05** American Carnage (15, 2022) **★★★** **8.00** Last Looks (15, 2021) **★★★** **10.00** Scream (18, 2022) **★★★** **12.00** Jackass Forever (18, 2022) **★★★** **1.40-3.55am** **A Journal For Jordan** (12, 2021) **★★★**

SKY CINEMA MEGAHITS

8.20am The Bourne Supremacy (12, 2004) **★★★** **10.20** The Matrix Resurrections (15, 2021) **★★★** **12.50** The Lord Of The Rings: The Fellowship Of The Ring (PG, 2001) **★★★★★** **3.50** Angels & Demons (12, 2009) **★★** **6.10** The Bourne Supremacy (12, 2004) **★★★★★** **8.00** The Matrix Resurrections (15, 2021) **★★★** **10.30** The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo (18, 2011) **★★★★** **1.20-3.30am** Promising Young Woman (15, 2020) **★★★★**

SKY CINEMA ACTION

8am Centurion (15, 2010) **★★★** **9.55** 300: Rise Of An Empire (15, 2014) **★★★** **11.55** Mortal Kombat (15, 2021) **★★★** **1.50** Jurassic Park (PG, 1993) **★★★★★** **4.00** The Lost World: Jurassic Park (PG, 1997) **★★★** **6.15** Jurassic Park III (PG, 2001) **★★★** **8.00** Jurassic World (12, 2015) **★★★★** **10.10** The Accidental Spy (15, 2001) **★★** **12.05** Mortal Kombat (15, 2021) **★★★** **2.00** Rogue Hostage (15, 2021) **★★** **3.45-5.30am** **Twist** (12, 2020) **★★★**

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12.35pm Border River (U, 1954) **★★★** **2.20** The Court-Martial Of Billy Mitchell (U, 1955) **★★★★** **4.25** The Long Ships (PG, 1963) **★★** **7.05** Fantastic Four (12, 2015) **★★★** **9.00** Raiders Of The Lost Ark (PG, 1981) **★★★★★** **11.15pm-2.55am** **A Hidden Life** (12, 2019) **★★★**

TCM MOVIES

5pm Son Of A Gunfighter (U, 1966) **★★★** **6.55** Chuka (PG, 1967) **★★** **9.00** Fire Down Below (18, 1997) **★★★** **11.10** Swordfish (15, 2001) **★★★** **1.15-3.10am** **Deep Blue Sea** (15, 1999) **★★★**

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3pm The Silent Enemy (PG, 1958) **★★★** **5.10** Night Mail II (PG, 1987) **★★★** **5.40** The Frozen North (U, 1922) **★★★★** **6.00** Scotland Yard 6.35 Night Was Our Friend (PG, 1951) **★★** **7.50** Look At Life 8.00 Maigret 9.05 Van Der Valk 11.15 Public Eye 12.15 Cellar Club 12.20 Diary Of A Madman (15, 1963) **★★** **2.15** Cellar Club 2.20-4am **Die Monster Die!** (18, 1965) **★★★**

GREAT! MOVIES freview 34

1pm Signed, Sealed, Delivered 3.00 Heart Of A Stranger (PG, 2002) **★★** **4.45** Georgy Girl (12, 1966) **★★★★** **6.40** How Do You Know (12, 2010) **★★** **9.00** The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo (18, 2011) **★★★★** **12.05-1.50am** Dog Eat Dog (18, 2016) **★★**



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The page where you tell Britain what you think

THE initiative by Business Secretary Jacob Rees-Mogg, below, and civil service bosses to monitor civil servants' computers for where and when they log on is a sensible step, already routine in much of the private sector.

Could I suggest it is extended to also monitoring sites accessed by staff, and their work rates? This is again routine in the private sector.

There are excellent commercial monitoring applications available.

IAN McNICHOLAS

Waunlyd, Blaenau Gwent

WHAT a two-faced woman

Scottish First Minister Nicola Sturgeon is.

She spends all her time trying to break away from British rule – yet feels it is OK to get on the royal bandwagon. This woman should be ashamed of herself.

IAN OWEN

Doncaster

HOW can Sir Keir Starmer and his Labour Party allow Jeremy Corbyn to remain a member after his snubs of the royals, his support for Vladimir Putin and

his 9/11 rants? He should be banned for ever, from any political party.

His disgusting attitude is deranged, and we do not need his far-left, communist-type agenda.

NICK NICHOLSON

Nuneaton, Warwickshire

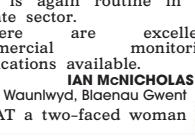
WOW! I can't believe the judges on ITV's The Voice on Saturday night didn't turn round for Richard Hadfield, left.

The ex-member of Collabro was by far the best singer.

GEOFF BLACKBURN

Blackpool

The judges embarrassed themselves by not turning.



King facing tough task

£50 LETTER
I AM the same age as King Charles and do not envy him for his heavy load of responsibility.

He now has one of the biggest jobs in the world.

The King has been training for this all his life and he has some idea of the job. But even he will be surprised how much more the monarch's role entails than that of the Prince of Wales.

The Queen seemed to effortlessly go from meeting a world leader to making small talk at a garden party. If the King is half as good as his mother, he will be wonderful at leading us through these troubled times.

PADDY MAXWELL

Lordshill, Southampton
OUR beloved Queen has begun her last great journey. The enormity of it all is starting to sink in for us all.

Thousands upon thousands lining the roads from Balmoral to Edinburgh. A mixture of tears, clapping, silence and gratitude.

A life well lived, a life so deeply loved.

The grief will only grow as Her Majesty travels home to be with her one true love, Prince Philip. Grief, your Majesty, is indeed the price we pay for love. RIP.

STEPHEN TURNBULL

Consett, County Durham
THE Queen's death is sad but she leaves behind a troubled country.

So much uncertainty and insecurity, already there because of Brexit and then Covid, and now with a novice Prime Minister.

Then there were serial scandals that drove Boris from office, and more scandals within the Queen's family. It has been a time of unending turmoil for Britain.

I feel our identity has been threatened and remains so. Sadly the rock that was the Queen is

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I'd like to thank the Scottish people for showing their love and respect to the Queen as her coffin arrived in Edinburgh.

DENIS, Essex

CHECKING on civil servants working from home is a good idea. It's a disgrace they have refused to return to their offices after the pandemic.

ALEX, Tyne and Wear

EVERYONE has suffered the pain of losing a loved one but the outpouring of love across the country must comfort our Royal Family.

BOB DIXON, Salford

no longer here. What will become of us remains to be seen.

ANNA HAMMETT

Ness, Cheshire

SINCE her passing, Her Majesty has been appropriately vaunted as Elizabeth the Great. I do not disagree but wonder if Elizabeth the Constant is more suitable.

MILAN DAGH

Middlesex

IT seems ironic that our Queen's last duty was to install Liz Truss as Prime Minister – a lady who once voiced a preference to abolish the Monarchy.

DAVID ROSE

Linton, Cambs

IF there is a heaven, the Queen is looking down. She would have been very proud of William for asking Harry and Meghan to join

him and Kate on their public walkabout.

William has a lot of his mum's caring side. One day he will make a great king.

PAUL NOTT

Shirley, Southampton

THE Government has made the funeral of Her Majesty on Monday, September 19, a bank holiday. Doing so is sensitive towards staff and managers of retail outlets, and their families, who want to reflect.

If it won't hit sales as more goods would be bought before and after the one-day closure.

JOHN BARSTOW

Plulborough, West Sussex

I AM delighted the late Queen's corgis are to be rehomed, even if it is with Prince Andrew.

As someone who has been in the doghouse for quite some time it's nice he's taking them in.

SASHA MCCREED

Belfast

SO rail unions have called off their planned strike out of respect to the Royal Family. What they mean is they want to avoid a public outcry from people wanting to travel to London.

DEES O'DRISCOLL

Rugby, Warks

PEOPLE pay good money to watch sport and are being robbed by incompetent organisers.

In football there is the debacle of VAR and then calling off all matches last weekend when it would have given players and spectators the chance to show respect to our late Queen.

Formula 1 has learnt nothing either. After robbing Lewis Hamilton of an eighth World Championship in the final race of last season, this year's runaway leader Max Verstappen was gifted the win at Sunday's Italian Grand Prix as the race turned into a procession behind the safety car.

DAVID SALES

Tamworth, Staffs

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ARIES March 21 – April 20

There may feel like a lot of new ideas to take in around a relationship issue but Mercury helps you stay on top and come up with surprising solutions. This time, two people can take far less time to come to the same decision. If you're single, it is the way a tall Gemini always has an answer that sparks attraction.



TAURUS April 21 – May 21

You can look deeper inside and see who can set the pace for your passion future. By this afternoon, as the moon lights your sign, you are ready to speak. As soon as the first word is out, the rest follows easily and you will see swift results. Your cash chart has a Mars tendency for spending – get a second opinion.



GEMINI May 22 – June 21

The family member you talk to and trust most has a business plan to share. It starts as a surprise but soon looks like a true contender. So take time to tick all the boxes, sooner rather than later. If you are in love, security is key but you also need variety. Do bring the fun back for both partners tonight.



CANCER June 22 – July 22

When you talk with love and respect, Venus stays by your side and helps you get your message through. So do not be tempted to fall back on sarcasm, at home or at work. Your passion profile is open and warm but try not to take levels of love for granted. Single? Your soulmate has a tattoo of a cartoon character.



LEO July 23 – August 23

Saying a resounding "yes" to a proposed adventure is your morning task, because later today you get a chance to take the first step. It is important to start with the right mindset. In love terms, you know deep down who you really need and this certainty is ready to shine through in your dating approach.



VIRGO August 24 – September 22

You are the zodiac's shining star, with shared sun and Venus radiance. Your long-time sense of loyalty really stands out today as you step up to support when you are most needed. A line of work with a photographic element can take you to the next career level. Passion whispers your name in a noisy place.



LIBRA September 23 – October 23

Pluto's impatience rocks your family zone but this can be a good thing, as a decision has already dragged on too long. A friend who loves to sing live has a role for you that is prize-based and takes you both on an "H" journey. When you dream about a forgotten face it is a signal love is ready to return to you.



SCORPIO October 24 – November 22

Mars and the moon make a dynamic work mix of energy and empathy. You can quickly de-code what people around you are thinking and hoping. Helping them express this opens doors into a new world. Later, coupling up can be on your mind and it is not too late to clarify a mixed message from "I".



SAGITTARIUS November 23 – December 21

Your imagination is one in a million early in the day, so put all ideas, even outrageous ones, on paper or into your phone. Later, as the moon fires your task-driven zone, you can choose the right one to take forward first. Passion sets high standards, and so do you, but be ready to walk away if these are not met.



CAPRICORN December 22 – January 20

Looking around your surroundings again with a calm, clear eye highlights what needs to change. Today you can start making it happen. From brighter colours to more positive voices, what you surround yourself with will be a key element of your happiness. Single? Your dream date works as a coach.



AQUARIUS January 21 – February 18

Moon-inspired emotions and hot Mars action make you stand out in a crowd or on a page. You follow up first impressions with a solid display of talent. But do hold back some sparks for your deepest love dreams and try not to devote all of yourself to cash or career success. Luck rings twice within an hour.



PISCES February 19 – March 20

You are the voice of reason that calms a storm and keeps people talking. Be sure this is the right path to take, as it may be time for a change, where you make demands instead of meeting them. You could benefit from this more than you may think. In love, words in your head may not match what is in your heart.

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Rupert Soames ... retiring

FALL FOR SERCO AS CEO GOES

SHARES in outsourcing firm SERCO fell seven per cent on the news that CEO Rupert Soames, grandson of Sir Winston Churchill, is retiring.

Mr Soames, 63, who has led the company for almost a decade, said: "It has been the privilege of my working life to lead Serco for the last eight years but it is now time to outsource myself."

Soames took the top job at a time when Serco was beset by scandals, including charging the Government for electronic tags on dead prisoners.

But controversy has continued to dog the company.

It played a major role in the criticised Covid-19 testing programme and awarded Mr Soames a £4.9million pay packet during the pandemic.

Chairman John Rishton said Mr Soames had turned Serco into a "thriving and resilient" business.

He will be succeeded by Mark Irwin, who runs Serco's UK and Europe division.

SHARES

BARCLAYS

up 5.12 to 173.96

BP

up 7.05 to 457.85

CENTRICA

up 0.24 to 87.14

HSBC

up 11 to 536

LLOYD'S

up 0.98 to 46.96

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up 9.05 to 126.7

NATWEST

up 8.7 to 269.5

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up 8.7 to 267.8

SAFETY'S

up 10.8 to 213.4

SHELL

up 21.5 to 2,321.5

TESCO

up 13.2 to 253.1

RATING DIP FOR ASDA

THE financial health of ASDA has been questioned after its new owners have piled the supermarket with debt and pursued even more deals.

Credit ratings agency FITCH downgraded ASDA's outlook to "negative" from "stable" as the grocer is taking on more debts to buy CO-OP's 129 petrol stations for £600million.

The billionaire Issa brothers and TDR CAPITAL put less than £200million of cash into their £6.8billion takeover of the UK's third biggest supermarket.

HOTEL CHOC & AWFUL

POSH chocolate chain HOTEL CHOCOLAT is the latest British retailer to fail to crack America.

It confirmed yesterday it would be shutting down its US website — just months after pulling the plug on its four shops in America.

In July the firm's shares crashed by 40 per cent after it revealed the store closures and said that it would write off £3million from a failed Japanese venture.

Hotel Chocolat joins the ranks of

Tesco, Marks & Spencer, Sainsbury's and HMV which all flopped in the US.

Ever-optimistic chief Angus Thirlwell told The Sun that Americans had loved the chocolate but the business hadn't "found the right distribution model yet".

He said he was still working on selling the brand in the US through lower-risk wholesale partnerships in department stores, adding: "It's prudent to batten down the hatches."

OTHERS WHO STRUGGLED TO MAKE IT IN U.S.

TESCO
Supermarket's 'Fresh & Easy' launch was a £1.2bn mistake

MARKS SPENCER
Beat a retreat in 2002 with sale of King's supermarkets

hmv
Music retailer forced from US long before it failed in the UK

LIONESSES' WIN HELPED EDGE GDP INTO GROWTH

Aces keep wolf from the roar

THE Lionesses' victory in the Euros provided a boost to the economy, which edged back into growth in July.

Official figures released yesterday show GDP lifted by 0.2 per cent after a 0.6 per cent fall in June.

Revenue from sport and recreational activities jumped by 8.1 per cent in July, on the back of the Euros tournament and Commonwealth Games.

Football fans are estimated to have spent £1.2billion cheering on the home side in pubs, restaurants and stadiums.

While some economists toasted the return to growth in July, it fell short of the 0.4 per cent predicted, and analysts described the lift as "feeble".

KPMG chief economist Yael Selfin said growth was still lower than in May and had been flat over a three-month period.

July's month-on-month rise in GDP could also be attributed to the loss of two working days in June for the Jubilee bank holidays.

Economists believe the national holiday next Monday for the



Lionesses ... helped boost economy

Queen's funeral could lower output by at least £2billion and increase the chances of the country entering a recession.

Samuel Tombs, chief UK economist at Pantheon Macroeconomics, expects the holiday to reduce economic growth by 0.2 per cent as many businesses, including clothing retailers Primark and John Lewis, will shut.

The Office for National Statistics found that businesses are still complaining that staff shortages are hampering growth.

And rising gas and electricity bills are also expected to dampen economic activity.

DISNEY NO TO ESPN SPIN-OFF

DISNEY'S boss has shrugged off pressure from an investor to spin off its ESPN sports TV network.

Bob Chapek, who has led the Mickey Mouse entertainment giant for the past two years, reckons that as Disney had been "deluged" by suitors in ESPN, there would be a value in keeping it.

Dan Loeb, whose Third Point hedge fund disclosed a \$1billion stake in the firm last year, had called for Disney to sell off ESPN to restore growth in the business.

But Chapek told the Financial Times: "We have a plan for it that will restore ESPN to its growth trajectory."

"When the rest of the world knows what our plans are, they will be as confident about that proposition as we are."

He also said that all Loeb's proposals had already been considered by the board.

ESPN broadcasts live sports such as the NBA and Major League Baseball, across the US.



65 per cent of shoppers want to do more to be environmentally conscious but the increased cost of living prevents them, according to a KANTAR survey. More than half say are confused about which products are good or bad ethically.

ENTAIN IN OZ PROBE ON RULES

LADBROKES owner ENTAIN is being investigated by Australian regulators for potentially breaking rules to prevent money-laundering and terrorist financing.

It comes just a month after the company was slapped with the biggest ever penalty by the UK's gambling regulator after "serious failures" for similar offences.

The Gambling Commission's chief exec said that its investigation found "completely unacceptable anti-money-laundering and safer gambling failures".

Australia's watchdog said that it began the enforcement probe after a wider extensive review into the whole gambling sector.

Despite the fresh regulatory scrutiny, shares in the FTSE 100 gambling group inched higher yesterday.

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2.35.....	Coins Cross
3.10.....	The Shunter
3.45.....	Saturn Five
4.20.....	Dark Vega
4.55.....	EVERYLITTLESTEP (nap)
5.30.....	Wayne R Walker (nb)

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1.25 FILLIES MAIDEN STAKES: 2-y-o; winner €9,000; 7f; (14 runners)

1 (22)	BASIL MARTINI 28 (B/C) T O'Brien 9-2
2 (15)	DARK WILLOW 28 W Whelehan 9-2
3 (1)	GOZEN M O'Callaghan 9-2
4 (2)	LAMBADA A O'Brien 9-2
5 (9)	85 LASHES 25 D Halford 9-2
6 (9)	LILAC LADY M Grassick 9-2
7 (12)	ON THE MONEY 18 J Bolger 9-2
8 (11)	PROMISES TO KEEP A O'Brien 9-2
9 (10)	PROMISES TO KEEP A O'Brien 9-2
10 (3)	ROTHKO M O'Callaghan 9-2
11 (10)	PURE CIRCLE 43 T O'Brien 9-2
12 (11)	ROYAL REED 29 E Sheehy 9-2
13 (10)	SATURN FIVE 15 T O'Brien 9-2
14 (6)	YUZU J Harrington 9-2
15 (7)	9 SAOIBH 23 J Bolger 9-2
16 (5)	0 CLOUGHANLY MOR T E Sheehy 9-2
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2.00 MAIDEN STAKES: 2-y-o; winner €7,501; 1m; (12 runners)

1 (6)	DUKE CADOR A O'Brien 9-7
2 (12)	2 GUINEA 17 A T O'Brien 9-7
3 (3)	IMMUTABLE 156 N McHugh 9-7
4 (1)	IMMUTABLE J Murphy 9-7
5 (2)	7 INTELLLOTTO 24 (T) T O'Brien 9-7
6 (5)	7 MATT CONNOR 29 B Horowitz 9-7
7 (4)	9 RHYTHM KING 13 M Fahey 9-7
8 (9)	ROTOKHO M O'Callaghan 9-7
9 (5)	338 SWEETIE 13 T O'Brien 9-7
10 (10)	4 ARDMORE 7 K Colman 9-2
11 (9)	FANCY GLOVES J Bolger 9-2
12 (10)	R Cleary

Gulf Of Mexico ●9, Young Ireland 97, Intellotico 90, 5-4 Guif O'Mexico, 4 Duxie Cador, 5 Young Ireland, 6 Intellotico

2.35 HANDICAP: winner €6,600; 1m; (14 runners)

1 (7)	ELQUENT ARTHUR 5 (D) D Hogan 4-10-1
2 (2)	207 MUHALIEL 147 A McCann 4-10-1
3 (9)	8002 ZEPHRON 45 (D) A Cullen 5-10-1
4 (5)	9001 KARL SERG 76 S Crowley 4-13
5 (1)	J Heffernan
6 (4)	6017 THE BLACK PANTHER 5 (D) M McDonagh 4-10-1
7 (10)	1001 GEOLOGICAL 26 (D) English 10-9-2
8 (3)	1002 GOLDFINGER 10 (D) O'Brien 9-9-2
9 (13)	1000 DREAM DEAL 19 R McNally 7-3-11
10 (12)	0700 NUMOUR 5 J McCann 4-9-10
11 (6)	R Rutledge (5)
12 (15)	1566 ANGEL GIRL 32 Murtaja 3-9-9
13 (5)	2002 ZEPHRON 45 (D) A Cullen 5-10-1
14 (11)	7000 PEERLESS 17 D Hogan 4-9-8
15 (17)	4765 KNOCKNAHULLA 49 (P) G O'Leary 4-9-9
16 (15)	1001 ANDMORE 26 (P) T McEvoy 3-9-3
17 (8)	0142 FOOLISH GLORY 26 (P) T McEvoy 3-9-3

Band Width: 0.99, Zephron, Karlsberg, 13-2 Cross, 8 Zephron

3.10 RATED RACE: winner €10,199; 1m; (9 runners)

1 (4)	33 THE SHUNTER 16 (H) E Mullins 19-18 Torrens (3)
2 (5)	1051 HOWYOULIKETHAT 19 H McLochlainn 9-11 C Hayes
3 (8)	-005 MONASIAH 17 (T) K Prendergast 4-9-11
4 (3)	400 QUIZICAL 116 S Laverty 7-11
5 (9)	R Colgan
5 (9)	7-5 CONFIDENT STAR 13 (P) J Harrington 3-9-8

11-4 Band Width, 7-2 Karlsberg, 13-2 Cross, 8 Zephron

3.10 RATED RACE: winner €10,199; 1m; (9 runners)

1 (4) 33 THE SHUNTER 16 (H) E Mullins 19-18 Torrens (3)

2 (5) 1051 HOWYOULIKETHAT 19 H McLochlainn 9-11 C Hayes

3 (8) -005 MONASIAH 17 (T) K Prendergast 4-9-11

4 (3) 400 QUIZICAL 116 S Laverty 7-11

5 (9) R Colgan

5 (9) 7-5 CONFIDENT STAR 13 (P) J Harrington 3-9-8

ABC CHECK ON ALL OF TODAY'S RUNNERS:

KEY: P-Punchestown, R-Redcar, U-Uttoxeter, W-Wolverhampton, Y-Yarmouth

Abravaggio 2107

Admiralty House 3/5Y

Al Shabti 13/0W

Alma 13/0W

Amasava 13/5Y

Amber Kilo 21/0P

Angel Of Ambri 6/0W

Angel Of Ambri 6/0W

Angela Land 13/0W

Another Angel 8/30W

Apologis 13/0P

Ararat 21/0Y

Artemis 13/0P

As If By Chance 4/0R

Atlas 4/5P

Attila 13/0P Net 5.30P

Baleen 13/0Y

Ballybeg 13/0W

Bandwidth 2/3P

Barlow Barlow 2/4S

Barry 13/0W

Bold Territories 14/3P

Boliver Bill 3/0U

Bonny 13/0W

Breathewell 13/0P

Breathewell 13/0W

Breathewell 13/0P

YARMOUTH RUNNERS

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT

1.35 SKY SPORTS RACING SKY 415 HANDICAP (Class 6); value to the winner £3,726; 5f. (13 runners)

- 1 (6) 732162 FORESEEABLE FUTURE 7 (V,C,D) R Carr 7-9-10.. Benoit Sayette (3) 98
Eoin Walsh 92
- 2 (13) 657547 MEHMO 35 (V,D) C Dunnett 4-9-10
- 3 (4) /32655 NAVY 35 (H) R Cowell 4-9-8
- 4 (8) 084240 PORTFOLIO BAY 7 (T,B,F,C) Evans 4-9-7
- 5 (1) 084240 NAVARVA 10 (V,D) R Cowell 4-9-8
- 6 (12) 655232 FOR PEAT'S SAKE 10 (V,D) M Appleby 4-9-5.. Frederick Larson (5) 96
- 7 (7) 699655 CHANSON D'AMOUR 19 (P) P Chaloum & Clutterbuck 3-1.. Martin Harley 89
- 8 (11) 06-0376 PRIVILEGE 19 (T) R Cowell 4-9-3
- 9 (9) 8-66573 SWELL SONG 41 (V) R Cowell 6-8-0
- 10 (5) 084458 ENCHANTED NIGHT 19 (P) C Dunnett 4-8-9
- 11 (10) 90-0786 ROBERT FROST 35 (T) Kent 5-8-9
- 12 (2) 0700487 NEMORUM 23 (T) K Kent 3-8-8
- 13 (3) 89047 GLEN ETIEVE 35 (P,T,) W Jarvis 3-8-8
- BETTING: 3 Foreseeable Future, 9-2 Portebel 5, 8 Asomasva, 13-2 For Peat's Sake, 14 Navy Drums, Nemorum, Glen Etive, Enchanted Night
- WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 1 2
- 2021: Show Berry 3-9 Calum Shepherd 124 (M Appleby) drawn 7, 8 ran.

2.10 BRITISH STALLION STUDS EBF NOVICE STAKES (4); 2-y-o; value to the winner £6,426; 6f. (15 runners)

- 1 (12) ABRAVAGGIO G Margarson 9-7.. John Egan 88
- 2 (5) ARARAT (H+D) Simcock 9-7.. Jamie Spencer 86
- 3 (15) DARK KESTREL 34 (T) T Gorden 9-7.. Robert Havlin 86
- 4 (4) 3ICKO THE LEGEND 17 J Parker 9-7.. Daniel Muscutt 99
- 5 (6) GLOBAL VOLITION C Dwyer 9-7.. Thor Hammer Hansen -
- 6 (1) MOJITO BOY C Hills 9-7.. Tom Qually 98
- 7 (10) 2 PROVERB 17 G Boughy 9-7.. William Buick 98
- 8 (2) 9 REWILDIN 40 R Cowell 9-7.. Hayley Turner 74
- 9 (9) 7 SAVE THE DATE 16 J Boughy-Hayes 9-7.. Hollie Doyle 80
- 10 (7) 89 SWALLOU EXPERT 10 A Hayes 9-7.. Christian Howarth 73
- 11 (11) 80 SPARTAN ARROW (T,S & E Crisford 9-7.. David Egerton 86
- 12 (8) 0 SPEZIAZI 15 K Deacon 9-7.. Martin Harley 73
- 13 (13) SSENWAN W Haggas 9-7.. Doubtful -
- 14 (3) ZOOLOGY J Ferguson 9-7.. Ciaren Fallon 98
- 15 (14) 59 SPEEDWELL 13 A Hayes 9-2.. Shane W Kelly 71

BETTING: 6-4 Proverb, 9-2 Dicke The Legend, 6 Spartan Arrow, Zoology, 7 Ararat

WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 1 2 1 5 5

2021: Light Infantry 9-5 Jamie Spencer 34 (M Simcock) drawn 8, 8 ran.

2.45 RACING LEAGUE ON SKY SPORTS RACING NURSERY (5); 2-y-o; value to the winner £4,536; 7f. (8 runners)

- 1 (8) 524372 DUCHYRACE 18 G & M Johnston 9-5.. Oliver Stammers (3) 98
- 2 (5) 8898 MICKEY DONOVAN 25 P Evans 9-8.. George Downing 89
- 3 (5) 051 BECHWOD MICK 39 (D) D Loughnane 9-8.. Sam James 98
- 4 (7) 64736 MANWHOTHINKSHCAN 34 (V) E Dunlop 9-8.. Tom Marquand 90
- 5 (1) 846 TOP OF THE CLASS 86 (P,M) Loughnane 9-7.. Eoin Walsh 97
- 6 (2) 20064 BARLOW BARLOW 16 (P,M) A Appleby 9-3.. Frederick Larson (5) 83
- 7 (6) 674 TWILIGHT GUEST 40 G Margarson 9-1.. Tom Qually 90
- 8 (3) 527 ZEBRA STAR 45 G Boughy 9-0.. William Buick 97

BETTING: 10-3 Duchyraze, 7-2 Zebra Star, 1-2 Beechwood Mick, 6 Manwhothinkshcan, 15-2 Top Of The Class, Mickey Donovan, 10 Twilight Guest

WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 1 1

2021: My Little 9-7 Aled Beech 1-2 Fav (G Boughy) drawn 8, 8 ran.

3.20 FOLLOW ATTHERACES ON TWITTER MAIDEN STAKES (5); 2-y-o; value to the winner £3,672; 1m 1f. (8 runners)

- 1 (2) 4 CORISCAN CAPER 20 D Keay 9-7.. Daniel Muscud 93
- 2 (3) DIOMYONIS S Williams 9-7.. Sean Levey 98
- 3 (5) 7 RAMENSKY 18 W Haggas 9-7.. Tom Marquand 99
- 4 (4) 023 CHOURMO 24 M Channon 9-5.. David Egerton 97
- 5 (1) HAALAND G Kelleway 9-5.. Robert Havlin 96
- 6 (7) 5 HAVANAZAM 20 A Balding 9-5.. William Buick 92
- 7 (6) 4 TIMEWAVE 49 & M Johnston 9-5.. Hollie Doyle 96
- 8 (8) 6 DANCE HAVANA 20 (T) A Hayes 9-0.. Christian Howarth (5) 78

BETTING: 7-2 Coriscan Caper, 9-4 Chourmo, Ramensky, 6 Havanazam, Timewave

WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED AND 2021: No corresponding race.

3.55 FRIARY FARM CARAVAN PARK HANDICAP (4); value to the winner £5,508; 1m 2f. (10 runners)

- 1 (8) 1-15575 RAJAI 34 T Ciever 4-10.. Jack Mitchell 95
- 2 (9) 1381661 MAGICAL MILE 19 (V,D) I Mohammed 4-9-13.. Benoit Sayette (3) 98
- 3 (4) 470-416 GLEN ESK 93 (B,F,C) C Wall 5-9-1
- 5 (7) 65-510 STORM CASTLE 33 (D) J T Gorden 3-9-11.. Robert Havlin 96
- 6 (4) 614139 BARTEAN 86 (T) A Murphy 3-9-10.. Tom Marquand 99
- 7 (10) 322452 ADMIRALTY HOUSE 25 (H) A King 3-9-10.. Martin Harley 97
- 8 (2) 245 CAPSTAN 72 St Moulton 3-9-7.. Ciaren Fallon 93
- 9 (1) 49-215 LAND EAGLES 73 (T,D) G Boughy 3-9-4.. William Buick 95
- 10 (6) 320 CUMULONIMBUS 46 F Fellows 3-9-1.. Hollie Doyle 87

BETTING: 4 Admiralty House, 9-2 Magical Mile, 6 Glen Esk, 13-2 Storm Castle, 7 Kaaranah, 8 Capstan, Rajai, 10 Land Of Eagles

WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED AND 2021: No corresponding race.

Sunracing FORM

TARAJIL (9-13) 7-1 pushed along 11 out, kept on, 5th of 10 (4) to Conflict (9-4) (Kempton 71 cap) (4) E561 600.

MAGICAL MILE (9-8) 9-1 in touch, held on, 4th of 10 (4) to Boughy (9-4) (Finsbury 1/m cap) (4) E545 560.

GLEN ESK (9-4) 15-8 fav led 21 out, kept on until headed final furlong, 3rd of 6 (7/4) to Saigon (9-2) (Salisbury 1/m cap) (4) E550 560.

STORM CASTLE (8-9) 10-3 led, headed 31 out, weakened quickly, 11th of 13 (btm 17) to Merlin's Beard (9-7) (Lingfield 1/m cap) (3) E25,770 AW.

WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED AND 2021: No corresponding race.

Sunracing FORM

JACK THE TRUTH (9-7) 22-1 mid-distance, pushed along 11 out, ridden and faded well finish, 8th of 13 (btm 3/4) to Wilkie (9-9) (Haydock 5f ap) (cap) (4) E542 600.

JOSIE'S (9-7) 10-3 11-11 12-11 13-12 14-14 15-15 16-16 17-17 18-18 19-19 20-20 21-21 22-22 23-23 24-24 25-25 26-26 27-27 28-28 29-29 30-30 31-31 32-32 33-33 34-34 35-35 36-36 37-37 38-38 39-39 40-40 41-41 42-42 43-43 44-44 45-45 46-46 47-47 48-48 49-49 50-50 51-51 52-52 53-53 54-54 55-55 56-56 57-57 58-58 59-59 60-60 61-61 62-62 63-63 64-64 65-65 66-66 67-67 68-68 69-69 70-70 71-71 72-72 73-73 74-74 75-75 76-76 77-77 78-78 79-79 80-80 81-81 82-82 83-83 84-84 85-85 86-86 87-87 88-88 89-89 90-90 91-91 92-92 93-93 94-94 95-95 96-96 97-97 98-98 99-99 100-100 101-101 102-102 103-103 104-104 105-105 106-106 107-107 108-108 109-109 110-110 111-111 112-112 113-113 114-114 115-115 116-116 117-117 118-118 119-119 120-120 121-121 122-122 123-123 124-124 125-125 126-126 127-127 128-128 129-129 130-130 131-131 132-132 133-133 134-134 135-135 136-136 137-137 138-138 139-139 140-140 141-141 142-142 143-143 144-144 145-145 146-146 147-147 148-148 149-149 150-150 151-151 152-152 153-153 154-154 155-155 156-156 157-157 158-158 159-159 160-160 161-161 162-162 163-163 164-164 165-165 166-166 167-167 168-168 169-169 170-170 171-171 172-172 173-173 174-174 175-175 176-176 177-177 178-178 179-179 180-180 181-181 182-182 183-183 184-184 185-185 186-186 187-187 188-188 189-189 190-190 191-191 192-192 193-193 194-194 195-195 196-196 197-197 198-198 199-199 200-200 201-201 202-202 203-203 204-204 205-205 206-206 207-207 208-208 209-209 210-210 211-211 212-212 213-213 214-214 215-215 216-216 217-217 218-218 219-219 220-220 221-221 222-222 223-223 224-224 225-225 226-226 227-227 228-228 229-229 230-230 231-231 232-232 233-233 234-234 235-235 236-236 237-237 238-238 239-239 240-240 241-241 242-242 243-243 244-244 245-245 246-246 247-247 248-248 249-249 250-250 251-251 252-252 253-253 254-254 255-255 256-256 257-257 258-258 259-259 260-260 261-261 262-262 263-263 264-264 265-265 266-266 267-267 268-268 269-269 270-270 271-271 272-272 273-273 274-274 275-275 276-276 277-277 278-278 279-279 280-280 281-281 282-282 283-283 284-284 285-285 286-286 287-287 288-288 289-289 290-290 291-291 292-292 293-293 294-294 295-295 296-296 297-297 298-298 299-299 300-300 301-301 302-302 303-303 304-304 305-305 306-306 307-307 308-308 309-309 310-310 311-311 312-312 313-313 314-314 315-315 316-316 317-317 318-318 319-319 320-320 321-321 322-322 323-323 324-324 325-325 326-326 327-327 328-328 329-329 330-330 331-331 332-332 333-333 334-334 335-335 336-336 337-337 338-338 339-339 340-340 341-341 342-342 343-343 344-344 345-345 346-346 347-347 348-348 349-349 350-350 351-351 352-352 353-353 354-354 355-355 356-356 357-357 358-358 359-359 360-360 361-361 362-362 363-363 364-364 365-365 366-366 367-367 368-368 369-369 370-370 371-371 372-372 373-373 374-374 375-375 376-376 377-377 378-378 379-379 380-380 381-381 382-382 383-383 384-384 385-385 386-386 387-387 388-388 389-389 390-390 391-391 392-392 393-393 394-394 395-395 396-396 397-397 398-398 399-399 400-400 401-401 402-402 403-403 404-404 405-405 406-406 407-407 408-408 409-409 410-410 411-411 412-412 413-413 414-414 415-415 416-416 417-417 418-418 419-419 420-420 421-421 422-422 423-423 424-424 425-425 426-426 427-427 428-428 429-429 430-430 431-431 432-432 433-433 434-434 435-435 436-436 437-437 438-438 439-439 440-440 441-441 442-442 443-443 444-444 445-445 446-446 447-447 448-448 449-449 450-450 451-451 452-452 453-453 454-454 455-455 456-456 457-457 458-458 459-459 460-460 461-461 462-462 463-463 464-464 465-465 466-466 467-467 468-468 469-469 470-470 471-471 472-472 473-473 474-474 475-475 476-476 477-477 478-478 479-479 480-480 481-481 482-482 483-483 484-484 485-485 486-486 487-487 488-488 489-489 490-490 491-491 492-492 493-493 494-494 495-495 496-496 497-497 498-498 499-499 500-500 501-501 502-502 503-503 504-504 505-505 506-506 507-507 508-508 509-509 510-510 511-511 512-512 513-513 514-514 515-515 516-516 517-517 518-518 519-519 520-520 521-521 522-522 523-523 524-524 525-525 526-526 527-527 528-528 529-529 530-530 531-531 532-532 533-533 534-534 535-535 536-536 537-537 538-538 539-539 540-540 541-541 542-542 543-543 544-544 545-545 546-546 547-547 548-548 549-549 550-550 551-551 552-552 553-553 554-554 555-555 556-556 557-557 558-558 559-559 560-560 561-561 562-562 563-563 564-564 565-565 566-566 567-567 568-568 569-569 570-570 571-571 572-572 573-573 574-574 575-575 576-576 577-577 578-578 579-579 580-580 581-581 582-582 583-583 584-584 585-585 586-586 587-587 588-588 589-589 590-590 591-591 592-592 593-593 594-594 595-595 596-596 597-597 598-598 599-599 600-600 601-601 602-602 603-603 604-604 605-605 606-606 607-607 608-608 609-609 610-610 611-611 612-612 613-613 614-614 615-615 616-616 617-617 618-618 619-619 620-620 621-621 622-622 623-623 624-624 625-625 626-626 627-627 628-628 629-629 630-630 631-631 632-632 633-633 634-634 635-635 636-636 637-637 638-638 639-639 640-640 641-641 642-642 643-643 644-644 645-645 646-646 647-647 648-648 649-649 650-650 651-651 652-652 653-653 654-654 655-655 656-656 657-657 658-658 659-659 660-660 661-661 662-662 663-663 664-664 665-665 666-666 667-667 668-668 669-669 670-670 671-671 672-672 673-673 674-674 675-675 676-676 677-677 678-678 679-679 680-680 681-681 682-682 683-683 684-684 685-685 686-686 687-687 688-688 689-689 690-690 691-691 692-692 693-693 694-694 695-695 696-696 697-697 698-698 699-699 700-700 701-701 702-702 703-703 704-704 705-705 706-706 707-707 708-708 709-709 710-710 711-711 712-712 713-713 714-714 715-715 716-716 717-717 718-718 719-719 720-720 721-721 722-722 723-723 724-724 725-725 726-726 727-727 728-728 729-729 730-730 731-731 732-732 733-733 734-734 735-735 736-736 737-737 738-738 739-739 740-740 741-741 742-742 743-743 744-744 745-745 746-746 747-747 748-748 749-749 750-750 751-751 752-752 753-753 754-754 755-755 756-756 757-757 758-758 759-759 760-760 761-761 762-762 763-763 764-764 765-765 766-766 767-767 768-768 769-769 770-770 771-771 772-772 773-773 774-774 775-775 776-776 777-777 778-778 779-779 780-780 781-781 782-782 783-783 784-784 785-785 786-786 787-787 788-788 789-789 790-790 791-791 792-792 793-793 794-794 795-795 796-796 797-797 798-798 799-799 800-800 801-801 802-802 803-803 804-804 805-805 806-806 807-807 808-808 809-809 810-810 811-811 812-812 813-813 814-814 815-815 816-816 817-817 818-818 819-819 820-820 821-821 822-822 823-823 824-824 825-825 826-826 827-827 828-828 829-829 830-830 831-831 832-832 833-833 834-834 835-835 836-836 837-837 838-838 839-839 840-840 841-841 842-842 843-843 844-844 845-845 846-846 847-847 848-848 849-849 850-850 851-851 852-852 853-853 854-854 855-855 856-856 857-857 858-858 859-859 860-860 861-861 862-862 863-863 864-864 865-865 866-866 867-867 868-868 869-869 870-870 871-871 872-872 873-873 874-874 875-875 876-876 877-877 878-878 879-879 880-880 881-881

UTTOXETER

TEMPLEGATE

TOM PEPPER

1.50.....Robeam	1.50.....Dreamweaver
2.25.....Sir Tivo	2.25.....Sir Tivo
3.00.....Dicey Rielly	3.00.....Dicey Rielly
3.35.....Henri Le Bon	3.35.....Belle Na Bann
4.10.....Kinondo Kwtu	4.10.....Judge Earle
4.45.....Lady Reset	4.45.....Addosh
5.17.....Krypton Gold	5.17.....Presenting Pete

TIC-TAC: Left-handed oval course of 1m 2f, ten fences per circuit and a run-in of 300 yards. LEADING TRAINERS (2017-2022): F O'Brien 7. ■ TOP JOCKEYS (2017-2022): S Bowen 36-19, S Twiston-Davies 30-17, B Hughes 25-18, T Scudamore 21-18, THIS SEASON: S Bowen 9. ■ LONGEST TRAVELLER: Miltholas Has (2.25), Dicey Rielly (3.00), Judge Earle (4.10) trip of 470 miles. ■ FIRST RUN SINCE WIND UP: Sir Two (2.25), George Bancroft (5.17). ■ LIVE ON SKY SPORTS RACING

1.50 CAZO CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (Class 5); winner £4,684; 2m 7f. (16 runners)

1 32/7/11 WINDING ROE 21 (T:D) D McCain 8-12-2.....	The Gillard (3) 87
2 59-46PU ROCK THE HOUSE 10 O Murphy 7-12-2.....	Geordie Harney (10) 76
3 36/16 GENTLEMAN VALLEY 17 (T*) B Paulton 6-12-1.....	Luka Morgan (3) 90
4 42 DREAMWEAVER 22 R Newland 6-11-1.....	M L Scott (8) 97
5 32/2 BAILEY'S 16 (T:D) O'Neil 4-11-1.....	Kevin Brogan (3) 98
6 36/21 LINE 16 (T:D) O'Neil 4-11-1.....	Finn Dods (4) 95
7 849-41 HANCOCKS 10 N Henderson 5-11-5.....	Sean O'Brien 9-10-8
8 41/22/23 ROSEBAM 27 (P) Mullineux 6-11-4.....	Leigh Stones 96
9 345-658 MISS RAFTARE 10 (P) W Greatrex 7-1-2.....	Caoilin Quinn (6) 84
10 6/6011 THE QUESTIONER 166 Greenhill/Guerrero 6-1-1.....	Toby Wynne (6) 89
11 B-63764 MONTY'S AWARD 28 A Irvine 10-10-2.....	Niall Houlihan 91
12 6/610-23 MISS BAMBY 49 Mackie 7-10-1.....	Peter Vaughan 95
13 6/6769-59 CABAYA LADY 46 (H,T) D Cole 5-0-2.....	Chris Ward 80
14 9-5574 TOP DRAWER 46 T Leseon 8-10-2.....	Conor Ring 85
15 97/4-43 MILANESE ROSE 114 (P) N Mulholland 6-10-2.....	Thomasina Eyston (6) 91
16 P-809-98 THAT'S ME DUBLA 15 J Hunter 9-10-2.....	Emma Smith-Chaston 77
BETTING: 9 4-E. The Questioner, 4-F. Monty's Award, 13-Miss Bamby, Rosebam, 8 Baileair WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED AND 2021: No corresponding meeting.	

2.25 QUINNBET DAILY FREE BET NOVICES' HURDLE (4); value to the winner £4,901; 2m. (10 runners)

1 0074 CHARLIE MY BOY 19 (T) Jenkins 5-1-10.....	Kevin Brogan 90
2 6/67-61 MILFOLK 22 P Bowen 6-11-0.....	James Bowen 70
3 1U324 SIR TWO 57 (T) G Hammer 8-1-10.....	Sean Bowen 89
4 3 THE TRADER 31 S England 6-11-0.....	Jonathan England 92
5 THRON HALL 388 A Watson 5-1-10.....	Gavin Sheehan -
6 DANCE AT NIGHT 150 N Twiston-Davies 4-10-12.....	Jamie Neild (7) 11
7 FENNO'S SOLDIER M Wallford 4-10-12.....	Sean Quinlan -
8 SHIYR VANN F360 S Edmunds 4-10-12.....	Ciaran Getthens -
9 THREE PLATOON F3 (T*) R Menzies 4-10-12.....	Nathan Moscrop -
10 BLUEBED T Lacey 4-10-5.....	Stan Sheppard -

BETTING: 7-4 Sir Two, 2 Thron Hall, 8 Dance At Night, 10 Charlie My Boy

3.00 QUINNBET.COM NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (5); value to the winner £4,901; 3m. (6 runners)

1 7-31/32 CREMANT 22 (T,P,F) N Mulholland 6-12-0.....	Sam Twiston-Davies 89
2 50-12/29 GETTHEPOT 1 (P,T) F O'Brien 7-11-1.....	Kieran Woods 97
3 348-42 DICEY RIELLY 17 (T*) B Paulton 6-11-6.....	James Bowen 98
4 9844-P FANTOMAS 128 N Twiston-Davies 6-11-6.....	Finn Lambert (7) 83
5 291-774 BOLSOVER 14 (T) W Turner 5-11-3.....	Henry Brooke 91
6 6-36/446 LIL CODER (T) B Barr 6-10-13.....	Angus Cheleda (5) 87

BETTING: 7-4 Cremant, 11-4 Getthepot, 4 Dicey Rielly, 8 Bolsover, 10 Lil Coder

3.35 QUINNBET NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5); value to the winner £4,466; 2m. (13 runners)

1 0705-4P MARMALATE JAC 44 M Rowley 5-2-0.....	Alex Edwards (3) 81
2 958-64 CLEAN GETAWAY 133 P Kirby 5-2-0.....	Joe Williamson (5) 90
3 73-39 SYR MAFOS 122 T Lacey 4-12-0.....	Stan Sheppard 94
4 678-83 BRAVE THE WAVES 174 (T) Greenhill/Guerrero 5-11-3.....	Henry Brooke 98
5 /866/1 DENABLE 49 (D) A Carson 6-11-2.....	Brendan Powell 88
6 7/5 BBOA ALULIA 27 (T) W Turner 7-11-0.....	Harry Kimber (5) 83
7 387-532 HENRI LE BON 53 (B) K Lee 7-11-0.....	Angus Cheleda (5) 93
8 P-6791 BELLE NA BANN 8 (T) N Mulholland 6-11-8(?).....	Tom Scudamore 89
9 6/860- KEEP IT BFREE 24 (P,T) R Phillips 5-11-7.....	Thomas Bellamy 84

BETTING: 7-4 Clean Getaway, 11-4 Denable, 12-4 Henri Le Bon, 13-4 Belle Na Bann, 14-4 Keep It Bfree

REDCAR

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (GOOD IN PLACES)

TEMPLEGATE

TOM PEPPER

1 143.....Simulation Theory	143.....Bold Territories
2 218.....Dark Crusade	218.....Thankyouappreciate
2 553.....Hello Deira (nb)	253.....HELLO DEIRA (nap)
3 328.....Shine On Brendan	328.....Western Stars
4 403.....Runninwild	403.....It Just Takes Time
4 438.....Noteable	438.....Proclivity
5 510.....Desert Quest	510.....Jamil

TIC-TAC: L-H galloping, oval track of 1m 6f round course joins the straight 5f from finish. DRAW: Middle to best in spints. ■ TOP TRAINERS (2017-2022): T Easterby (7-2022); T Easterby 49-559; D O'Meara 37-264, W Haggas 21-26, M Dods 18-238. THIS SEASON: D O'Meara 8, T Easterby 6. ■ TOP JOCKEYS (2017-2022): D Tidhope 30-32, D Allard 30-27, J Hart 26-197, B Curtis 19-136. THIS SEASON: C Beasley 6, D Tidhope 5. ■ LONGEST TRAVELLER: Heala (2.5s), Round trip of 514 miles. ■ TRAINER/FAX: T Easterby won 4.03 in 2016 and 2021. ■ FIRST RUN SINCE WIND UP: None. ■ LIVE ON RACING TV

1.43 RACING TV CLUB DAY APPRENTICE HANDICAP (Class 5); value to the winner £4,266; 1m. (10 runners)

1 (6) 64/67/20 OLD NEILS 21 (BF,D) L Stubbins 5-10-1.....

2 (1) 05/20/24 RUMBLE 14 (T,C,D) D Carroll 4-9-11(=).....

3 (2) 3/20/45 ZLATAN 31 (D) E Doherty 4-11-1.....

4 (4) 25/4-7 COME ON JOHN 38 (D) E Fall 3-7-0.....

5 (6) 5/22/23 RUSSIAN VIRTUE 40 (B) R Menzies 6-9-6.....

6 (3) 582-793 VIRGO 27 (P) C Fellowes 4-4-6.....

7 (4) 50/17/9 BY YOUR SIDE 16 (D) E Dunlop 3-9-5.....

8 (9) 05/5444 ROYAL PROSPECT 6 (T,B,F,C,D) L Mullany 7-9-4.....

9 (8) 87-2114 BOLD TERRITORIES 25 (P) M Dods 4-9-3.....

10 (10) 216/0358 STRIPZEE 14 (T,D) T Easterby 3-8-1.....

BETTING: 5-4 Thankyouappreciate, 4 Dark Crusade, 11-2 Lady Jane Grey, 6 Belsito WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 3 3 3 2 1

2021: Le Beau Garcon 9-9 P Mulrennan 9-4 Fav (M & D Easterby) dr, 1 ran.

2.18 REDCAR CELEBRATES NATIONAL RACEHORSE WEEK NOVICE STAKES (5); 2-y-o; £4,050; 5f. (7 runners)

1 (7) 85/374 JAXTA 15 D O'Meara 9-1.....

2 (5) 521 THANKYOUAPPRECIATE 15 N Tinkler 9-1.....

3 (1) 13 LADY JANE GREY 35 (D) R Guest 9-6.....

4 (3) 50/5 BELSITO 12 (B) K Ryan 9-4.....

5 (2) 73 DARIS CRUSADE 20 P Midgley 9-4.....

6 (6) 0/2/0 FORTUNE STAR 19 D Carroll 9-4.....

7 (4) 54/10/10 DASH 15 D Edwards 9-4.....

8 (6) 45/4-10/0 NIGHTWALKER 15 D Edwards 9-0.....

9 (5) 34/6004 WHAT A DUDE 27 (T,C,D) B Ellison 8-9-4.....

BETTING: 5-4 Thankyouappreciate, 4 Dark Crusade, 11-2 Lady Jane Grey, 6 Belsito WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED: 3 3 3 2 1

2021: Le Beau Garcon 9-9 P Mulrennan 9-4 Fav (M & D Easterby) dr, 1 ran.

2.53 MARKET CROSS JEWELLERS NURSERY (4); 2-y-o; value to the winner £4,806; 7f. (9 runners)

1 (9) 224 HELLO DEIRA 18 (BF) B Urquhart 9-9-6.....

2 (4) 4242 PRINCE NABEEL 19 (BF) K Burke 9-8-6.....

3 (3) 835/3 PRALIE FALCON 19 (D) M Dods 9-5-6.....

4 (2) 243 INDIANA BE 32 E Bethell 9-4-6.....

5 (7) 285 LORD SAM'S CASTLE 20 (V) Jardine 9-3-6.....

6 (2) 28/10/24 DASH 15 D Urquhart 9-3-6.....

7 (1) 54/5/10 DASH 15 D Urquhart 9-3-6.....

8 (6) 45/4-10/0 NIGHTWALKER 15 D Edwards 9-0-6.....

9 (5) 34/6004 WHAT A DUDE 27 (T,C,D) B Ellison 8-9-4.....

BETTING: 5-4 Hello Deira, Prince Nabeel, 5 Indiana Be, 6 Prairie Falcon, 10 Nightwalk

WHERE FAVOURITES FINISHED AND 2021: No corresponding race.

EACH-WAY THIEF

HAVE a Redcar each-way double. BOLD TERRITORIES (1.43) has been in flying form with wins at Newcastle and Wolverhampton. Pair him with PRAIRIE FALCON (2.53), a winner the last time he tackled this trip.

GOING: GOOD

10 P9085-1 BALLYAD 10 (T) M Sheppard 7-11-7.....	Richard Patrick 97
11 04-44 LUNA DORA 113 T Symonds 5-10-5.....	Benjamin Poste 92
12 78-705 TORINO 12 (B,*T) B Guerrieri 4-10-2.....	Toby Wynne (7) 78
13 9996-8 BRYANWOOD 86 (T) B Ulewellyn 4-10-2.....	Charlie Price (3) 71
BETTING: 2 Belle Na Bann, 11-4 Denable, 9-2 Henri Le Bon, 10 Bravethewaves	

4.10 QUINNBET BEST ODDS GUARANTEED HCAP CHASE (3); winner £12,417; 2m 6f 108yds. (8 runners)

1 25/213 RED HAPPY 13 (B,T) D Pipe 5-12-0.....

2 21F-83 THE GOLDEN REBEL 21 (B,F) B Cates 8-11-2.....

3 765-F14 TOP OF THE COTTONS 63 N Twiston-Davies 8-11-11.....

4 1235-3 QUARTZ DU RHEU 83 Joni O'Neill 7-11-9.....

5 121311 JUDGE EARLE 83 (D) P Bowen 10-10-7(6x).....

6 4-2/P233 SHETLAND BUS 29 (P,T) R Newland 9-10-2.....

7 7745-6 CANELO 83 K Haslam 9-10-10.....

8 47221-KINONO KWETU 44 S England 6-10-10.....

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- Aveley 3 Potters Bar Town 1.

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AMERICAN FOOTBALL

NFL - Arizona Cardinals 21 Kansas City Chiefs 44, Los Angeles Chargers 24 Las Vegas Raiders 19, Minnesota Vikings 23 Green Bay Packers 7, Tennessee Titans 20 New York Giants 21, Dallas Cowboys 3 Tampa Bay Buccaneers 19.

CRICKETLV COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP
FIRST DIVISIONNorthamptonshire v Surrey
Northamptonshire, Northamptonshire, 249-4
(67.2 overs; E N Gay 145, R J Keogh 75no).Warwickshire v Somerset
Edgbaston: Somerset 182-8 (56 overs; L Gregory 60no, Mohammed Siraj 4-54).Yorkshire v Essex
Headingley: Yorkshire 134 (52.2 overs).
SECOND DIVISIONLeicestershire v Durham
Grace Road: Leicestershire 97-2 (22 overs; S Budinger 63no).Middlesex v Glamorgan
Lord's: Glamorgan 214 (54.1 overs; C B Cooke 52; R F Higgins 4-59), Middlesex 132-4
(36.2 overs; M D Stoneman 72no).Sussex v Worcestershire
Hove: Sussex 220 (59.2 overs; J J Carson 58, J M Coles 54, F J Hudson-Preston 51; J Leach 4-37), Worcestershire 87-0 (30 overs).**TENNIS**

US Open (Flushing Meadows, New York):

Men's final - (3) C Alcaraz Garfia (Spa) bt (5) C Ruud (Nor) 6-2 6-7 (7-1) 6-3.

Women's Doubles final - (3) B Krejčíková (Cze) & K Plíšková (Cze) bt (5) C McNally (USA) & T Townsend (USA) 6-3 7-5 6-3.

WTA ITALY ZAGAROVALICA SAVA
PORTOROŽ (Slovenia) 1st rnd - (1) E Raducanu (GB) bt D Yastremska (Ukr) 6-2
5-3 ret; (9) A Potapova (Rus) bt C Liu (Usa) 6-4 7-6 (7-5); (5) E Alexandrova (Rus) bt M Kostyuk (Ukr) 7-6 (7-5) 5-7; (2) B H Maia (Bra) bt C Tauson (Den) 7-6 (7-3) 6-3.**TODAY'S SPORT**

(7.45 unless stated)

UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE
GROUP ALiverpool v Ajax 8.0
(Live on BT Sport 2)

GROUP B

B Leverkusen v Atlético Madrid 8.0
(Live on BT Sport Extra)FC Porto v Club Brugge 8.0
(Live on BT Sport Extra)

GROUP C

Bayern Munich v Barcelona 8.0
(Live on BT Sport Extra)Plzen v Inter Milan 5.45
(Live on BT Sport 1)

GROUP D

Marseille v E Farnborough 8.0
(Live on BT Sport Extra)Sporting v Tottenham 5.45
(Live on BT Sport ESPN)

SKY BET CHAMPIONSHIP

Blackburn v Watford 8.0
(Live on Sky Sports Red Button)Huddersfield v Wigan 8.0
(Live on Sky Sports Red Button)Hull v Stoke 8.0
(Live on Sky Sports Red Button)Middlesbrough v Cardiff 8.0
(Live on Sky Sports Red Button)Preston v Burnley 8.0
(Live on Sky Sports Main Event)Swansea v Sheff Utd 8.0
(Live on Sky Sports Red Button)

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE

Barnsley v Port Vale 8.0

Burton Albion v Portsmouth 8.0

Charlton v Forest Green 8.0

Cheltenham v Cambridge Utd 8.0

Ipswich v Bristol Rovers 8.0

Lincoln City v Derby 8.0

MK Dons v Fleetwood Town 8.0

Morecambe v Shrewsbury 8.0

Peterborough v Fleetwood Town 8.0

Plymouth v Oxford Utd 8.0

Shrewsbury v Exeter 8.0

Wycombe v Accrington Stanley 8.0

SKY BET LEAGUE TWO

AFC Wimbledon v Northampton 8.0

Barrow v Doncaster 8.0

Crawley v Stockport County 8.0

Grimbsy v Gillingham 8.0

Harrogate v N Saiford City 8.0

Hartlepool v Crews 8.0

Mansfield v Carlisle 8.0

Rochdale v Leyton Orient 8.0

Stevenage v Newport County 8.0

Swindon v Cheltenham 8.0

Tranmere v Bradford 8.0

Walsall v Colchester 8.0

VANARAMA NATIONAL

Altrincham v Scunthorpe 8.0

Barnet v Dorking Wanderers 8.0

Boreham Wood v Maldenhead Utd 8.0

Chesterfield v Southend 8.0

Eastleigh v Yeovil 8.0

FC Halifax v Gateshead 8.0

Maidstone Utd v Wealdstone 8.0

Notts County v Aldershot 8.0

Torquay v Solihull Moors 8.0

Woking v Oldham 8.0

Wrexham v Dag & Red 8.0

York v Bromley 8.0

CRICKET

LV County Ch'ship - Div One - day 2 of 4: Northamptonshire v Sussex (Northampton, 10.30), Warwickshire v Somerset (Edgbaston, 10.30), Yorkshire v Essex (Headingley, 10.30), Lancashire v Gloucester (10.30), Middlesex v Durham (Grace Road, 10.30), Sussex v Worcestershire (Hove, 10.30).

Second Women's Twenty20 International: England v India (Derby, 6pm).

SPEEDWAY

Championship Play-Off Otr-final

1st Leg: Plymouth Gladiators v Poole Pirates (7.00).

THE INSIDE TRACK
BEN HUNT GIVES YOU ALL THE PITLANE STORIES



ALBON ... appendicitis

Alex off ventilator after op

By WILL PUGH

ALEX ALBON was placed in intensive care after suffering freak respiratory failure following a routine operation.

Williams' Thai-British driver, 26, was ruled out of the Italian Grand Prix with appendicitis and underwent keyhole surgery at nearby San Gerardo Hospital on Saturday.

But post-op anaesthetic complications left the former Red Bull ace unable to breathe on his own.

Albon was placed on a ventilator in intensive care but began breathing naturally again yesterday and was moved to a general ward.

Williams said: "He is expected to return home on Tuesday."

"Alex's full focus is on recovery and preparation ahead of the Singapore Grand Prix."

Williams' stand-in driver Nyck de Vries put in a stunning performance in Albon's absence to finish ninth at Monza.



HAMILTON ... worry

Lew fear of no win all year

By BEN HUNT

LEWIS HAMILTON fears he will finish the year without a single victory for the first time in his F1 career.

The seven-time world champion has recorded at least one win in each of his previous 15 seasons in the sport.

However, his below-par Mercedes — plus the speed of reigning world champ Max Verstappen — means he is looking at extending his winless run.

Britt Hamilton, 37, said: "We have to be realistic. That Red Bull is almost unbeatable."

"Performance-wise, we have not caught them and we don't have upgrades coming to enable us to overtake them."

"So it's going to take some fortune going our way to win."

"It's not impossible because we could have beaten them in Budapest."

"But Max is generally chilled at the front, so you can never tell their true pace."

Driven apart

ITALIAN GP WIDENS F1 AND FIA RIFT

age new fans to follow the sport but threatened to overshadow F1's new poor handling harmed the sport's reputation.

The weak result of the FIA's own investigation — published on the eve of the Bahrain GP — was equally unhelpful, despite replacing Michael Masi as race director.

There is also the curious relationship between the F1 chief executive Stefano Domenicali and new FIA president Mohammad Ben Sulayem.

The latter has put himself on the podium more times than Lewis Hamilton this season and is always front and centre of every presentation, unlike predecessor Jean Todt.

His tough stance on banning jewellery

has not found an exit in their legal contract with the FIA but with teams now adding

their weight to the strained relationship, maybe Liberty Media will be forced to start rethinking their options.

In their defence, the FIA have been trying to apply the rules as they see fit, using a book of regulations that have been amended and changed over the years to suit.

The best thing they could do now would be to rip up the old rulebook and come up with a new one in time for next season.

As for Ben Sulayem — who insists on being called 'Mr President' — he is obviously enjoying himself and the associated power.

He surely needs to put the vanity aside and focus on getting his house in order.

Otherwise, there could be no option but for teams to force a breakaway series under a new name.

CONTROVERSY...
Verstappen won at Monza but behind a safety car

BRIT KID BEAR'S SCARS

BRIT whizkid Oliver Bearman was denied a Formula Three title shot in Monza because stewards stopped the finale with under five laps to go.

Bearman, 17, had battled into second when the red flag came out — and the race never resumed due to scheduling.

Ironically, the stewards could have allowed it to play out in the time they decided the outcome of the

championship, which eventually went to Victor Martins.

The Frenchman was crowned, despite a five-second time penalty for four track limits violations in Italy.

Prema Racing hotshot Bearman (left) had been chasing Zane Maloney for the victory, which would have secured him the title but the premature end to the race saw him end the season in third place.

ALPINE chief executive Laurent Rossi is fuming at missing out on signing Oscar Piastri — despite admitting his team bungled his contract.

The Aussie joined McLaren for next season after Rossi "left the door ajar", which Piastri walked straight through and negotiated a better deal.

MotoGP World Championship will observe a minute of silence in memory of Queen Elizabeth II during the Aragon Grand Prix in Spain on Sunday.

The race at the Motorland circuit takes place the day before Her Majesty's state funeral in London from 11am.

Sir Andy ready to play part



GET IN THE ZONE...
Murray practises yesterday ahead of this week's trio of Davis Cup ties in Glasgow

By VIC HOLLY

ANDY MURRAY hopes Great Britain's Davis Cup fixtures in Scotland can provide a fine platform to honour the Queen.

The team of Muzza, Cam Norrie, Dan Evans, Joe Salisbury and Neal Skupski face the USA in Group D at Glasgow's Emirates Arena tomorrow, before taking on the Netherlands on Friday and Kazakhstan on Sunday.

Murray, who was knighted in 2017, said: "I think here will be a chance for everyone to show how much she meant to everyone and I'm sure there will be songs sang and silences observed."

"She obviously had an amazing life and I think here, these few days when we are competing, will be a chance for everyone to celebrate her and everything she did."

EMMA RADUCANU began a new chapter of her career with a morale-boosting win in the first round of the Slovenia Open.

The Brit plummeted from No11 to No83 in the world after her US Open title defence ended in round one at Flushing Meadows.

But she is still top seed in Portoroz as the seedings were announced before the rankings changed yesterday.

And she led Dayana Yastremska 6-2 5-3 before the Ukrainian retired due to a wrist injury with Raducanu, 19, just two points from victory.



O'TOOLE... has cash

Jim's on standby

By ADAM HATHAWAY

WORCESTER'S potential saviour Jim O'Toole insists he has cash to rescue the club — but that talks with the owners have collapsed.

O'Toole's consortium is ready to pump money into the Warriors — who owe £20million — to ensure Sunday's home fixture with Exeter goes ahead.

But he again said the only way Worcester can be saved is if they are put into administration.

A statement read: "We are ready, willing and able to fund the administration process."

"With the current owners not willing to go down that path, that decision now rests with the DCMS (Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport)."

"With this as our goal, it is pointless negotiating with the current owners as they remain focused on selling the club to address their pressing solvency issues."

"We are on standby to start transferring funds to make Sunday happen."

Louis up to speed

By ADAM HATHAWAY

LOUIS REES-ZAMMIT says he can run even faster after a summer at a training camp used by American football stars.

The 21-year-old showed his pace to score a 90-metre wonder try that sparked a comeback as Gloucester came from 21-0 down to beat Wasps.

Rees-Zammit spent time in Atlanta working with Spencer Smith, a legendary coach of NFL stars, on his speed and mobility.

And LRZ said: "The coaches out there are quite strict but they just want you to improve."

"It brings a new dimension to my game."

Tom's 45 'n firing

By WILL PUGH

TOM BRADY continued his stunning legacy as he led Tampa Bay Buccaneers to a 19-3 win over Dallas Cowboys.

The future Hall of Famer threw the only touchdown pass of the Bucs' opener as he became the first 45-year-old starting quarterback in NFL history.

Asked if he has anything to prove, Brady said: "We all do."

The seven-time Super Bowl champ announced his retirement at the end of last season but did a dramatic U-turn just 40 days later.

Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott needs surgery on a broken thumb.

US OPEN A NEW ERA BEGINS

From ROB MAUL in New York

CARLOS ALCARAZ has been hailed as "Ronaldo, Maradona and Messi" rolled into one superhuman athlete and tipped to be tennis' greatest of all time.

And former British star Greg Rusedski reckons that, unlike Emma Raducanu, the prodigious Spanish teenager is not going to win in New York and then vanish off the radar.

By beating Norwegian Casper Ruud 6-4 2-6 7-6 6-3 in the US Open final, Alcaraz lifted a maiden Slam and, at 19, became the sport's youngest male world No1 EVER.

After Raducanu won the title last year, aged 18, she struggled to cope with the expectations and demands.

It is unlikely Alcaraz will experience such difficulties and he seems destined to win multiple Majors.

Rusedski, 49, the 1997 US Open finalist, said: "This ascension from Alcaraz will continue because of the team around him.

"It won't be like Emma Raducanu last year where she won and then disappeared for a year. He's the real deal. He has everything.

"Men's tennis has got even more exciting. This guy is a phenomenon."

"This guy is like watching Ronaldo, Maradona and Messi combined as one as an athlete. He's just off the charts."

"He has figured it out sooner than Roger Federer by about four years and that shows you how good this kid is going to be."

This US Open may eventually be pinpointed as the moment when the Big Three were finally overtaken by the Next Generation.

Alcaraz has a game like Federer, the humbleness and engine of Rafael Nadal and the tenacity and elasticity of Novak Djokovic.

In seven matches, the teen spent a record 23 hours and 40 minutes of combat on court — including one 2.50am finish — but he did not show any signs of fatigue in the finale.

Alcaraz, who saved a match point against Italian Jannik Sinner in the quarter-finals, has an energetic style of play and engaging personality that attracts the fans.

On the big points, he was brave not passive, winning 15 out of 21 serve-and-volley points and using the drop shot to perfection.

This encounter was played in a wonderful spirit, typified when Ruud conceded a point after confirming it came via a double bounce.

The outcome could have been different had Ruud, 23 — also eyeing the world No 1 spot — taken one of his two set points in the third.

Alcaraz has the temperament and tools to regularly beat the elite.

But the rankings are skewed this year by the fact Wimbledon did not carry ranking points because of its ban on Russian and Belarusian stars over the invasion of Ukraine.

Djokovic, who was absent from New York due to his unvaccinated status, will be desperate to show the

THIS KID WILL GROW UP TO BE THE GOAT

Teen ace Carlos has shots of Federer, engine of Rafa and tenacity of Novak

newcomer who is boss. Alcaraz — a Real Madrid fan and keen golfer — is from agricultural El Palmar, and 16 months ago was not in the top 100.

At the Madrid Open in May, he beat Nadal and Djokovic in consecutive rounds to prove he is not afraid to take on the best.

Now he has proven it in the five-set environment, there is no stopping him. Alcaraz said: "I played great matches, high intensity,

during the two weeks that I've never done before.

"I'm really happy to move on to be No1 of the world, still growing."

"It's crazy for me. Everything has come so fast. I saw my best level, my best tennis. Of course, I'm hungry for more."

"I want to be in the top for many, many weeks. I'm going to work hard again after this week — to fight for more of this."

GRAND SLAMS WON SINCE FEDERER'S FIRST VICTORY





VAN DEN BERGH

Dimi hit by heart worries

By PHIL LANNING

DIMITRI VAN DEN BERGH
suffered a heart scare on stage during his defeat to Peter Wright in the German Darts Open.

The Belgian, 28, broke down during the final and needed medical attention in Jena on Sunday night.

He did return to the stage and Scottish ace Wright went on to win his first Euro title for five years with an 8-6 victory.

Van den Bergh revealed: "During the game, my heart started to beat very fast. I tried to bring it [the heartbeat] down again. Was it a panic attack? I don't know."

"After I won in the semis, I had the thought to give up. But you have to fight yourself."

Wright, 52, gained revenge over Van den Bergh for ending his World Matchplay reign in the quarter-finals in late July.

He said: "Dimitri is a fantastic player. He's the future of darts but the old guy is still doing it!"

Sport

GIL DUDSON will miss two of Wales' World Cup matches after picking up a three-game ban.

The prop, 32, headbutted Leeds' Aidan Sezer in Catalans' Super League play-off loss.

SHORT

Poching gets axe at Trinity

By HARRY TALBOT

WILLIE POCHING and his No 2 Francis Cummins have left Wakefield.

Boss Poching (*below*), 49, spent just over a year in the role, leading Trinity to Super League safety following a relegation scrap.

Chairman John Minards said: "When we appointed Willie as head coach, the nature of the arrangement was we would review the position in 12 months' time.

"Having now reached the end of the 2022 playing season and secured our Super League status, the board have carefully considered all aspects of the past 12 months and decided that we need a change in our coaching set-up as we move forward."

"This decision is particularly difficult given the tremendous effort, passion and energy they have both brought to the club."

CRICKET SUMMER

Rock and bow stars



BOWLING STONE . . .
our mock-up of rocking skipper Ben Stokes

SCORECARD	
Third Test Match	
England v South Africa	
(Day 5 of 5)	
THE KIA OVAL: England beat South Africa by nine wickets	
SOUTH AFRICA: First Innings 118 (Robinson 5-49, Broad 4-41)	
ENGLAND: First Innings 158 (Pope 67, Jansen 5-35, Rabada 4-81)	
SOUTH AFRICA: Second Inns 169 ENGLAND: Second Innings	
(Overnight 97-0)	
A Less lbw Rabada	39
Z Crawley not out	69
O Pope not out	11
Lb6 nbs	11
Total (1 wkts., 22.3 overs)	150
Fall: 108.	
Bowling: Rabada 11-1-57-1, Jansen 73-0-40-0, Norje 4-0-27-0.	
Umpires: N Marion & R Kettleborough.	

IT'S BAND ON THE RUNS WITH

ENGLAND ended their rock 'n' roll summer with another win and Ben Stokes as vocalist, lead guitarist and top of the charts.

For all the efforts of Joe Root, Jonny Bairstow, Jimmy Anderson, Stuart Broad and Co, these past few weeks have been a complete triumph for Stokes more than anybody else.

He has orchestrated the astonishing turnaround in England's fortunes with six Test wins out of seven and a brand of attacking cricket that has captivated the nation.

Stokes' leadership has been inspira-

By JOHN
ETHERIDGE

tional and his aggressive tactics usually spot-on.

He and new coach Brendon McCullum have created a relaxed, fun environment in which fear of failure has virtually been eradicated.

McCullum said: "It's definitely more Ben than me, he's the leader of the side."

"The way he plays cricket and lives his life is exactly how he leads a group of men as well. The guys know

he'll leave it all out there for them and his messaging has been outstanding.

"It's about trying to entertain and ensure people have been entertained."

"I thought Ben would be good but I didn't realise he'd be this good. We knew each other a little but our relationship has blossomed over the last couple of months."

"He's an incredible human being and we've seen his life documented

recently and his own struggles. He's a genuine, authentic person who loves giving guys freedom to be the best versions of themselves on the field."

As McCullum said, Stokes' problems a year ago were poignantly documented in the film about his life.

He was in a dark place after personal issues and injury.

In April, he succeeded Root as captain with England having won just one of their last 17 Test matches.

The change was instant and Stokes contributed with bat and ball — notably his century at Old Trafford and some enforcing spells despite his wonky knee. He was England's man of the series against South Africa.

Yes, there are areas of concern.

TESTS END IN STYLE

IT'S SCARY

From Back Page

the batters we have coming through, it's a very high ceiling.

"It's a great thing to think about — who knows how far we can take this side over the next couple of years?"

Yesterday, England needed 25 minutes to score the final 33 runs and complete a nine-wicket victory in the Third Test against South Africa at The Oval.

England took the series 2-1, and have won six out of seven Tests under new skipper Stokes.

England play three Tests in Pakistan this winter and two

in New Zealand. And, although they are the immediate priority, Stokes admitted he is already thinking about the 2023 Ashes.

He explained: "When you know there's an Ashes coming up, it's hard not to look at it, especially with how the last Ashes trip went [England lost 4-0 last winter].

"We have to concentrate on Pakistan and then look to plan for Australia. I'm excited by the Ashes next summer."

Stokes expects Jimmy Anderson, 40, and Stuart Broad, 36, to face the Aussies — with Broad already looking forward to torturing opener David Warner again.

Stokes smiled: "If Broady wasn't playing, Davey Warner might sleep a little bit easier. So we've got to take that into consideration!"



TROPHY LIFE... Stokes and Robinson with series silverware

ENGLAND'S SUMMER UNDER STOKES & McCULLUM

START DATE
Jun 2, 2022
Jun 10, 2022
Jun 23, 2022
Jul 1, 2022
Aug 17, 2022
Aug 26, 2022
Sep 8, 2022

OPPONENT

VENUE

RESULT

New Zealand (1st Test)	Lord's	WON by 5 wickets
New Zealand (2nd Test)	Trent Bridge	WON by 5 wickets
New Zealand (3rd Test)	Headingley	WON by 7 wickets
India (5th Test)	Edgbaston	WON by 7 wickets
South Africa (1st Test)	Lord's	LOST by innings and 12 runs
South Africa (2nd Test)	Old Trafford	WON by innings and 85 runs
South Africa (3rd Test)	The Oval	WON by nine wickets

RUNS SCORED PER OVER



OVERS PER INNINGS

	OVERS PER INNINGS	
	1st INNINGS	2nd INNINGS
NZ (1st Test)	42.5	78.5
NZ (2nd Test)	128.2	50.0
NZ (3rd Test)	67.0	54.2
IND (5th Test)	61.3	76.4
SA (1st Test)	45.0	37.4
SA (2nd Test)	106.4	-
SA (3rd Test)	36.2	22.3

FRONTMAN BEN IN TUNE

Alex Lees has really struggled — he has missed three times on the way to 39 as England coasted to a nine-wicket win over South Africa in the Third Test yesterday.

And the 69 not out from Zak Crawley (right) does not make up for this year's barren summer.

On the plus side, Matthew Potts and, especially, Ollie Robinson look like proper international bowlers. Jack Leach took a ten-for at Headingley and Baird was phenomenal until breaking a leg playing golf.

Ollie Pope is inked in as England's No3 for the foreseeable.

Most of all, there is a lack of inhibition to England's play that even old pros such as Root, Anderson and

Broad have embraced and enjoyed. Stokes added: "There is absolutely no reason Jimmy and Broady can't be around for next summer."

"They are the two guys I turn to, and Joe always turns to, for something that breaks open the game."

"And you can add into the mix of our premium fast bowlers in Jofra Archer and Mark Wood, who've had a big impact this summer and missed a lot of cricket."

Stokes is on to something, no doubt about it. To beat New Zealand 3-0, India in the Test held over from last year and South Africa 2-1 is a notable achievement.

After the bad-light fiasco of Sunday evening, England needed only 25

minutes to knock off the final 33 runs at The Oval yesterday.

Lees was the lone wicket — lbw on review to Kagiso Rabada.

Now the challenge is to win playing Bazball in three Tests in very different conditions in Pakistan in December.

Stokes said: "People will probably say it's the way I've spoken or captained but you need to have the players who really believe in what you're saying."

"They must take as much credit as people are giving me."

● Mark Boucher will quit as South Africa head coach after the T20 World Cup in Australia, which runs from October 16 to November 13.



Lowry plans double pain for pal Rory

By DAVID FACEY

SHANE LOWRY hopes to inflict more misery on Rory McIlroy — by denying him a big Transatlantic double.

Lowry was feeling a bit down himself yesterday, as he admitted he overdid the celebrations after edging out his close pal by a shot in the BMW PGA Championship.

But now he wants to mount a late charge to take the European No1 spot.

McIlroy has already finished top of the pile in America and is leading the Race to Dubai.

But Lowry is now up to fifth, with two massive events to come in the Alfred Dunhill Links and DP World Tour Championship.

The Irishman said: "I will have to win at least once more — and maybe even win both events — to have a chance of toppling Rory."

"But you've got to dream big, especially when you are on top of your game, which is where I feel I am at the moment."

"Put it this way, I will certainly need to finish ahead of Rory in the Dunhill to have any hope and then look to win in Dubai — and hope he does me a favour by having a bit of an off

week. Normally, you would say Rory would be a stick-on for at least top five in Dubai, as he's won there a couple of times and gone close on about half a dozen more occasions."

"But I like that course too and my record there isn't too shabby."

"I was second there a few years ago, when Jon Rahm beat me by one shot and I've had a fifth and a couple more top tens as well."

"It's a course I feel I can definitely win on and it would be great to turn up there with a real shout of ending the season as European No1."

The winner in Dubai will rack up 2,000 ranking points, with another 915 up for grabs at the Dunhill in Scotland.

The gap between McIlroy and Lowry is just over 1,200 points. So Lowry's bid to finish first is certainly realistic.

But the 2019 Open champ will not be adding any ranking points this week.

Lowry is taking a week off, giving McIlroy the chance to extend his lead when he tees it up at the Italian Open in Rome.

Viktor Hovland, second in the Race to Dubai, will also be in action, along with US Open champ Matt Fitzpatrick.



MATES... Lowry and McIlroy

Ban threat for AWOL Sergio

By DAVID FACEY

SERGIO GARCIA will be fined for going AWOL from Wentworth unless he can provide a decent excuse within 21 days — and suspended if he refuses to pay up.

A ban would effectively end the Ryder Cup career of Garcia, 42. But it seems unlikely the Spaniard — who is the competition's record scorer — will try to explain why he pulled out of the BMW PGA Championship after a dismal 76 in the first round.

The LIV rebel did not offer any reason for heading home to Texas, where he was pictured alongside wife Angela at a college gridiron game. Suggestions the DP World Tour might turn a

blind eye to Garcia's disappearance were rubbished by a Tour insider.

Their rules state players must give a reason for pulling out of an event, within three weeks of withdrawing.

And injury claims must be backed up by medical evidence — or a fine of up to £5,000 can be imposed.

But Garcia (left), banked an estimated £105million to sign for LIV, who are bankrolled by Saudi Arabia.

He was angered by Tour chief Keith Pelley's attack after the Spaniard claimed the European circuit would soon be "No5 in the world" and said the Tour was "s**t", and all its players were "f***ed".

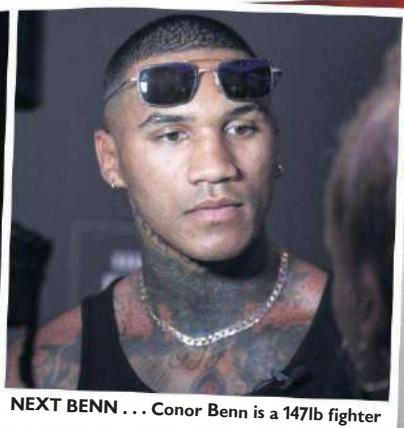
BOXING BENN v EUBANK JR 25 DAYS TO GO



OLD RIVALS ... Nigel Benn and Eubank Sr trade blows in 1993



WEIGHT AND SEE ...
Chris Eubank Jr trains in Hove ahead of his Conor Benn clash next month
Picture: RICHARD PELHAM



NEXT BENN ... Conor Benn is a 147lb fighter

By WALLY DOWNES Jr

CHRIS EUBANK Sr is battling to STOP son Chris Jr fighting Conor Benn at 157lb.

The British boxing legend has just returned from South Africa and is desperately trying to persuade his 32-year-old offspring not to drop an extra 3lb below his normal middleweight limit.

And he cites the tragic death of 29-year-old son Sebastian (below) last year from a heart attack as even more reason to be anxious about Chris Jr boiling down and dehydrating for the mega-money October 8 showdown.

The former two-weight world champion, 56, told SunSport: "This fight should not be allowed to happen, it is dangerous."

"I have given my advice and I will continue giving it because I know how dangerous weight-cutting is."

"I have already lost one son, there is no way I am going to risk losing another."

"I have spoken to Conor Benn — who I regard as a brilliant fighter and a king — and he told me he was willing to fight at 160lb."

"So who has engineered this dangerous decision to limit my son?"

"I will be sitting down with all the people who have played their part in this and explaining that I will not have my son put in this danger."

Promoter Eddie Hearn and broadcasters DAZN have been banking on Eubank Sr playing a major role in helping to flog the O2 spectacle by rekindling his iconic rivalry with Connor's dad Nigel.

The clash is billed as Born Rivals and there were hopes to tap into the magnificent 1990s two-fight feud that ended with a stoppage win for Eubank and controversial rematch draw, in which most fans believe Benn was robbed.

But the former middle and super-middle world champion is on the warpath against the latest circus act. Eubank Sr said: "This fight is born out of the Conor McGregor vs Floyd Mayweather fight. Catchweight bouts should not exist."

"I would not let my son fight Connor at 160lb either because that would be so unfair on Connor, who

STOP THIS MADNESS

Chris Sr: I have already lost one son, I won't risk losing another... it's too dangerous



is a 147lb fighter. It would be bullying and we are not bullies, we are champions and heroes.

"Boxing has so many tragic tales and Junior knows all about them after his bout with Nick Blackwell."

"He knows the dangers but I was not by his side when he signed this contract and the people involved do not have his best interests at heart."

Eubank Sr said Connor Benn should concentrate on a welterweight world title — and his son should remain targeting a middleweight crown.

And he added: "Great fighters, as they get older, move up in weight.

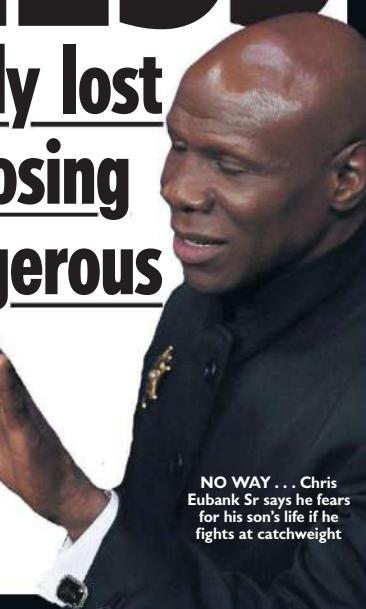
Not down. Your body cannot do at 32 what it could do at 22. Junior was 158lb in 2014."

"Anybody who understands this sport and weight-cutting will tell you that the older you are the more difficult — impossible — it becomes."

"I cannot train Junior or be in his corner for this bout because it would make me complicit."

"I cannot be a part of this because I love my son and I have nothing but his best interests at heart."

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NO WAY ... Chris Eubank Sr says he fears for his son's life if he fights at catchweight



KAMARA ... speech

Kammy feels like a fraud

By JORDAN DAVIES

CHRIS KAMARA says his apraxia revelation left him feeling like a fraud — and as though someone else is controlling his voice.

The 64-year-old left his role on Sky Sports Soccer Saturday in May after being diagnosed with an underactive thyroid, leaving him with a condition that affects his speech.

He continues to work on TV, including hosting Ninja Warrior UK and a football podcast with Ben Shephard.

But Kammy admitted: "I feel a fraud now in terms of broadcasting, I don't bring to the table what I used to."

Speaking on the Diary of a CEO podcast, he said people watching him were wondering if he was drunk or had had a stroke.

Kamara added: "It feels like someone has taken over my voicebox."

"When I hear myself or see myself on TV, it's someone else. It's really strange."

Sport

BLACKBURN midfield star Adam Wharton has signed a new five-year deal amid Premier League interest.

Wharton, 18, who has been with Rovers since he was six, said: "I'm over the moon."

SHORT

Reigning Qat and Pog now

By ISABELLE BARKER

PAUL POGBA will be named in the France World Cup squad — after a special exemption from boss Didier Deschamps.

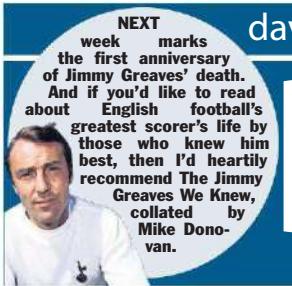
The Juventus midfielder is not expected to be able to play a match until just TEN DAYS before the tournament starts, after undergoing surgery on his right knee last Monday.

Pogba, 29, has been ruled out of training for eight weeks by doctors — which means he may not even be able to kick a ball until the end of October.

He would then begin light training just three weeks before the French kick-off in Qatar in their Group D opener against Australia on November 22.

But Deschamps still wants to include the former Manchester United star in his squad regardless of his condition, as he is a key man for the reigning world champions.

Deschamps hails Pogba as a crucial figure in the dressing room.



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CHIEF SPORTS WRITER



B-PLUS... Brendon and Ben

B&B A 5-STAR

IT'S difficult to recall any change of management of any team, in any sport, having such a dramatically positive effect as Brendon McCullum and Ben Stokes as coach and captain of England's Test cricketers.

After one victory in 17 matches under the old regime, England have won six out of seven this summer — many in thrilling, record-breaking style.

It was ludicrous that moderately bad light stopped play on Sunday, with England 33 runs short of victory against South Africa.

Yet several thousand still turned out on a Monday morning to watch 25 minutes of cricket — testament to the public appreciation of this team and Test cricket itself.

Perhaps the ECB can now stop obsessing about The Hundred and start prioritising the sport's original, and best, format.

WHEN England face Iran in their World Cup opener in Qatar, just ten weeks from now, the smart money is on Harry Maguire being in the starting line-up.

Such a decision might be met with howls of derision across the land.

It will doubtless be regarded as a sign that Gareth Southgate is pig-headed, out of touch and past his sell-by date as England manager.

But Southgate's loyalty towards Maguire is cast-iron.

The England boss has been licking his wounds for three months since the 4-0 humiliation by Hungary at Molineux capped a miserable winless four-match Nations League run in June.

This Thursday, he will name his squad for clashes with Italy, on Friday week, and Germany, the following Monday, which represent England's final matches before the weird, disorientating and utterly corrupt mid-season World Cup.

And Manchester United's troubled captain seems certain to be included — despite his axing by club boss Erik ten Hag.

When Maguire has started this season, United's record reads played three, lost three. When he has been excluded, Ten Hag's men have played four, won four.

Yet for Southgate, old Slabhead remains untouchable.

That defeat by Hungary was England's biggest home defeat in 94 years and easily the worst night of Southgate's six-year reign.

And one of the loudest groans came when he introduced Maguire as a late sub, after John Stones had been sent off and Hungary had scored their third goal.

Maguire, once a man-of-the-people cult hero among England fans, is now treated with extraordinary levels of contempt.

He was booed by large sections of the Wembley crowd before the friendly against Ivory Coast in March and even as far away as Melbourne, during a United pre-season friendly in July.

So why is Maguire afforded apparently special treatment by Southgate, who has previously claimed he would only choose those playing regularly for their clubs?

Well, it's not as if there are a whole host of in-form English central defenders.

Eric Dier, who has been consistently excellent in Spurs' back three, will receive a long overdue recall. Especially as Southgate may revert to a back three for Qatar.

And Stones, suspended for next week's trip to Milan, is being included more frequently in Manchester City's starting line-up.

But beyond those two, Ben White

Slabhead's spot is concrete



LOYALTY... Southgate will stand by Harry Maguire

is playing for Arsenal at right-back — the one position in which Southgate is already famously well stocked.

And the other two centre-backs in the Euros squad last year were Tyrone Mings and Conor Coady.

Mings has been stripped of the Aston Villa captaincy, while Wolves' Coady has been loaned to Everton.

Marc Guehi of Crystal Palace and AC Milan's Italian title-winner Fikayo Tomori are both in the mix but neither were particularly impressive for England in June, when Southgate rightly claimed Maguire had been his best centre-half.

Apart from this scarcity of potential replacements, Southgate has always remained remarkably loyal to those who started regularly

during the 2018 World Cup. Seven of his Russian starting XI lined up against Germany in Munich in June and Jordan Henderson might have been an eighth, if available.

Maguire was also included in Uefa's Team of the Tournament for last summer's Euros — despite missing the opening two matches through injury.

Many of us had questioned Southgate's decision to name an unfit player — a failing of previous overly loyal England managers — but Maguire proved his boss spectacularly right.

It isn't true that Maguire has never let England down — his early sending-off in a Nations League home defeat by Denmark came

just weeks after he was arrested on holiday in Greece, causing him to be axed from Southgate's squad.

But, by and large, Maguire has been excellent for his country.

And however badly England ended last season, Southgate is easily this nation's most successful manager since Sir Alf Ramsey.

He has fully earned the right to do things his way in Qatar.

And that will mean a prominent role for Maguire, despite the boozing mob.

Southgate is a long-term manager with a long memory, in an age of knee-jerk short-termism.

If he fails in Qatar, he will fail on his own terms — with Maguire in his team.

No Prem net gain

AS Premier League clubs had a larger net summer spend than the other four major European leagues put together, they should be dominating continental club competitions.

Yet English teams have lifted only one of the last seven major trophies and, in last week's openers, Liverpool, Chelsea and Manchester United all lost.

Spanish clubs won nine trophies out of ten between 2014-18, without enjoying overall financial dominance.

It would be unspeakably dull if Premier League sides lived up to their financial might — but they are falling way, way short.

FA OFF ON ONE

AFTER being widely panned for calling off all football at the weekend, while other sports carried on, the FA are sticking to their guns.

So, while Gareth Southgate will still name his England squad on Thursday for the Nations League games against Italy and Germany, he will not hold his usual media interviews.

Some of the decisions over what is or isn't 'disrespectful' during the period of national mourning for the Queen have been farcical — such as the closing of a bicycle rack in Norwich.

But the FA's paranoia is extreme.

It's VAR from OK abroad

JUST as VAR-devotees will tell you the system is not to blame, only the people who operate it, they will back up their claim by insisting it is only a shambles in England.

So they'll be hoping you haven't seen the injury-time chaos in Sunday's Serie A clash between Juventus and Salernitana. A 96th-minute 'winner' by Juve's

Arkadiusz Milik (right) was incorrectly ruled out for offside by VAR, when a defender lurking by the corner flag, clearly playing everyone on, was somehow not spotted by the remote official.

In the ensuing furore, Juve boss Max Allegri, Milik and two others saw red.

So, yeah, the system is fine, it's just our incompetent muppets to blame — there's nothing to see elsewhere.





NEW CHAPTER ... boss Page has long-term backing

Page signs Wales deal

ROBERT PAGE has given Wales a perfect World Cup tonic by signing a new four-year deal.

The Dragons boss, 48, led his country to a first global tournament since 1958 but was set to be out of contract at the end of the Qatar finals in December.

But, as SunSport exclusively reported on August 25, Page has agreed fresh terms with the Football Association of Wales and committed himself until 2026.

Page, whose side will face arch-rivals England, plus USA and Iran in Group B when the World Cup kicks off in November, said: "There is no bigger honour than coaching your national team."

"I can't wait for the challenge the next four years will bring, starting with our first Fifa World Cup in 64 years."

"This is an exciting time for Welsh football and I hope we can make the country proud in November and continue our success by qualifying for more major tournaments in the future."

Page has been Wales manager for 24 matches, winning ten, drawing eight and losing just six since stepping up from assistant boss after Ryan Giggs was arrested in November 2020.

Giggs eventually stood down as Dragons chief in June ahead of his recent domestic violence trial, where the jury failed to deliver a verdict and the ex-Manchester United winger faces a retrial next year.

Talks over Page's future had been ongoing since the play-off final triumph over Ukraine in June, before an agreement was finally struck last month.

His new deal means the former defender, who earned 41 caps, will lead Wales into qualification campaigns for Euro 2024 and the 2026 World Cup — set to be held in USA, Canada and Mexico.

During his tenure, Page has won promotion to the top tier of the Nations

By PHIL CADDEN

League and reached the last 16 of Euro 2020, before making history when Gareth Bale's free-kick against Ukraine took Wales to Qatar.

Captain Bale — who intends to carry on for Wales beyond the World Cup — is a big supporter of Page, who will release his squad for this month's Nations League double-header against Belgium and Poland tomorrow morning.

FAW president Steve Williams said: "I am delighted that Rob and the FAW have agreed a four-year contract to take the Cymru men's national team to the next stage."

"The World Cup is the perfect opportunity to show Wales on the world stage and I am positive that Rob is the best person for the role, in Qatar and beyond."

Wales chief exec Noel Mooney added: "The FAW Strategic Plan, Our Wales, has clear ambitions for our men's national team. "I am confident that Rob is the best person to bring us more success over the next four years."

"By putting the correct foundations in place, I'm sure we will see Rob and the team qualify for more major tournaments in the near future and continue to grow the positivity and support around Welsh football at the moment."

Night all right for Dons tie

SCOTLAND will trial weekend evening football in a bid to boost crowds outside the Old Firm.

SPFL bosses have agreed to switch Aberdeen's two upcoming matches against Dundee United from the traditional 3pm kick-off to 6pm.

The tie at Tannadice is on October 8 and boss Jim Goodwin (right) and his Dons will host the return at Pittodrie on November 12.

Hibernians' game with St Johnstone on Saturday October 22 will now be

By MARTIN LIPTON

played at 7.30pm the previous evening.

The Edinburgh club said: "We are trying something different and want to create a special atmosphere under the lights."

Aberdeen commercial director Rob Wicks added: "We are particularly excited to try this for a home match as we look to improve atmosphere and increase the opportunity for our wider supporter base to come along and enjoy an exciting derby."



PREMIER LEAGUE BAD

HANGRY LIKE THE WOLF

**Costa ready
to put bite on
Prem defences
again as move
'lit fire within'**



LIVERPOOL flop Loris Karius had just five minutes to answer Newcastle's SOS call — after four years in exile following THOSE clangers.

The German keeper (left) joins the Magpies on an emergency deal until January after No2 Karl Darlow's training-ground injury last week.

Karius, 29, arrived on Tyneside last Thursday to complete his medical but

By OSCAR PAUL

Newcastle delayed the announcement in the wake of the Queen's death.

His last game for Liverpool was the nightmare 2018 Champions League final, when his two howlers handed Real Madrid the trophy (far right).

Two years on loan at Turkish side Besiktas followed but Karius has played just five games across the last two seasons.

All of those came when at Union Berlin in 2020-21 before the ex-Mainz goalie spent last season in the

Merseyside wilderness. Karius will be Nick Pope's back-up while Darlow is injured and there is an option to extend his short-term move until the end of the campaign.

The ex-Germany Under-21 international said: "I was at my place in Berlin when I got a call from my agent.

"I had to be there the next day to finalise everything so I basically had five minutes to make my mind up and tell him to move it forward.

"I got my flight ticket around midnight and left my place at 4.30am. "It was crazy but felt good from the

BOY BACK ON THE PROWL



DIEGO COSTA admits making the move to Wolves left him quaking in his boots.

Because the tough-guy striker had to pose with three trained wolves to mark his season-long deal!

The former Chelsea hitman, signed to replace long-term injury victim Sasa Kalajdzic, confessed: "I was scared to death."

"Holding that chain I kept thinking, 'What if this wolf thinks about jumping on top of me?'. And then the three of them did!"

"The lady training them kept calling them, asked them to move around a little and the wolves didn't do a single thing."

"I thought, 'If they're not doing anything with the trainer, I was done for!'. When they did come they smelled my foot and I thought I was done for I was a little scared then."

"Those were wolves, not dogs. It was a cool experience but not a very comfortable one. I have five dogs but they're not wolves!" Spanish international Costa, 33, has not played competitive football since last December but says the fire still burns in his belly.

The Brazilian-born star was the man opposition fans loved to hate while lead-

THE PACK LEADER ...
Diego Costa grimly holds on to a trio of wolves

By GRAEME
BRYCE



ing the line at Chelsea from 2014 to 2017. He twice topped 20 goals for the season at Stamford Bridge – and both times the Blues won the Premier League title.

A fall-out with then-boss Antonio Conte saw Costa return to Atletico Madrid in 2018.

He most recently played for Brazilian side Atletico Mineiro before terminating his contract in January.

He was originally denied a work permit. But Wolves successfully appealed and Costa will use the international break to push himself through a tough pre-season training schedule.

He could make his Wolves bow against West Ham on October 1 – or even against his old club at

Stamford Bridge on October 8, the day after he turns 34. He added: "This move motivated me. It lit that fire within me."

"On a physical and psychological level, I will need two to three weeks to get

back in shape. That's normal since I haven't done much for a while but I know that I can do it."

"If I ever doubted my potential because of what I've done and I didn't have anything left to give, I wouldn't have accepted this challenge."

"I have a team to care for and if I said yes to this, it's because I think that I can bring something to the table."

Costa is confident Wolves boss Bruno Lage will be patient.

The striker added: "I asked him not to rush me into things and he was very understanding. He is a great manager and someone who has been doing a great job."

"What the fans can expect from me is dedication, willingness, discipline and goals."

"I always thought that the Premier League was the best in the world."

"The league has the atmosphere, the way the game is played, the stadiums full of supporters, the pitches in perfect condition, the respect that players have for each other."

"I did think if I would be able to do it, if I was physically and mentally ready for this new challenge?"

"You can bet that I will give it my all as if it were a new beginning."

Just don't ask him to take the wolves for a walk.



RONALDO... wanted

Saudis in again for Ronaldo

By MARTIN BLACKBURN

MANCHESTER UNITED are braced for another approach from Saudi Arabia for veteran star Cristiano Ronaldo.

The Portugal forward, 37, was looking to get out of Old Trafford this summer in order to continue playing in the Champions League.

However, the only concrete offer came from Saudi champions Al Hilal, although rivals Al Nassr were also said to be keen.

While a move to the Middle East did not appeal to the former Real Madrid man at that time, clubs over there continue to monitor his situation.

And they have the resources to come up with a huge offer either in January or next summer to see if they can turn Ronaldo's head.

He is under contract at Old Trafford for the rest of the season, while the club have an option to extend it by 12 months.

Ronaldo has started just one of United's first six Prem matches this season and was below par when he did get a chance against Real Sociedad last week.

The Portugal superstar is certainly not enjoying life at United as much as Christian Eriksen.

The Dane, at Brentford last season, says his move to Old Trafford was his 'redemption' following his cardiac arrest last year.

Eriksen said: "It is one of the biggest clubs in the world. It was a redemption after what had happened — like proving you could get an offer from United."

"I had enough options to choose from but it was all about finding the right one."

"I had the opportunity to step up to what I had dreamed of and hoped for."

COSTA IN THE PREMIER LEAGUE

Games	89	Headed goals	5
Goals	52	Penalties scored	1
Mins per goal	145	Shots per game	2.8
Goals per game	0.58	On target per game	1.2
Assists	16	Shot accuracy	42%
Mins per goal or assist	113	Fouls per game	1.3
Right-footed goals	34	Yellow cards	26
Left-footed goals	13	Red cards	0

WHAT HE WON IN ENGLAND



Premier League
(2014-15, 2016-17)



League Cup
(2014-15)

THE STRIKER'S LONGEST SUSPENSIONS

CLUB	DATE	REASON	GAMES MISSED
Atletico Madrid	Apr 2019	Red card	8
Chelsea	Jan 2015	Retrospective violent conduct	3
Atletico Madrid	Dec 2012	Red card	2
Chelsea	Apr 2016	Retrospective improper conduct	2
Chelsea	Sep 2015	Retrospective violent conduct	2
Atletico Madrid	Sep 2013	Red card	2

Greg is a Webb hit

EXCLUSIVE
By PHIL CADDEN

HOWARD WEBB wants to bring Greg Barkey with him from MLS to improve VAR standards in the Premier League.

After six years in charge of refs Stateside, the former Prem official will oversee the top four tiers as chief refereeing officer when he replaces Mike Riley at the PGMOL later this year.

And SunSport understands Webb is keen on Barkey, who is the pro refs manager of video review operations in the US.

VAR has come under fierce criticism in the Prem once again and Webb would value Barkey's experience — although his arrival would put scrutiny on current head of VAR Neil Swarbrick.

RE-TOON SEALED IN FIVE MINUTES

first moment. My aim first of all is to help Nick by pushing him.

"But I also want to progress myself. If there is game time, that would be great."

"I miss the feeling of training every day. I've kept myself fit but I am looking forward to getting back into the rhythm now."

"It's a great project to be part of."

Newcastle boss Eddie Howe moved swiftly last Wednesday after Darlow crooked an ankle.

The injury is set to rule him out until the Premier League pauses for

the World Cup in mid-November. And it raises questions over Newcastle's decision to allow Martin Dubravka to join Manchester United on loan on transfer deadline day.

The Slovakian was first choice for four seasons at St James' Park before Pope's summer arrival.

He also insisted he wanted Dubravka to stay — even though the keeper asked to leave.

But Newcastle cannot recall him until January, which left Mark Gillespie as the only competition to Pope before they swooped for Karius.

KARIUS' SENIOR CAREER

OTS Mainz (2012-16)	APPS 96
Liverpool (2016-22)	49
Besiktas (2018-20, loan)	67
Union Berlin (2020-21, loan)	5
Newcastle (2022-)	0





CASH IN BANK... Bissouma and Cucurella moved on

BARBER CUT BUT UPBEAT

PAUL BARBER believes Brighton are paying the price for success after Graham Potter became the latest in a line of high-profile departures.

Potter's exit to Chelsea is by far the biggest blow but the Seagulls' chief executive says their success means there will be far greater interest in the role.

Before Potter, 47, was nabbed by the Blues to replace Thomas Tuchel, Brighton had already lost an array of talent on and off the pitch.

Newly-rich Newcastle pinched director of football Dan Ashworth this year, while midfielder Yves Bissouma joined Tottenham for £25million and Marc Cucurella moved to Stamford Bridge for a staggering £55m.

Barber said: "It's the price of success."

"It is one of those things that, when you're doing well and things are going according to plan, and you are even exceeding the plan, then your best people will be potentially targeted."

"However disappointing it may be, it's normal, it's life and we have to deal with it."

Barber, who worked for the FA and Spurs before joining the Seagulls in 2012, added: "It is a compliment, maybe back-handed."

"We are in a situation where not that long ago our staff wouldn't have been on other club's radars."

"Now they very much are and there is a reason for that."

"Ultimately, we have put ourselves in a position in the league table right the way across the club where people are more aware of these people."

"It has been a very challenging few months because of the losses we have had but we put in place plans and succession to manage that and to be resilient to it."

"That is now being tested and we simply

have to manage through the process and replace Graham."

In terms of finding a replacement, the south coast side are able to take their time due to the cancellation of this weekend's meeting with Crystal Palace and the international break following that.

With Brighton sat fourth in the Premier League table and plenty of cash knocking around thanks to the sales of £50m Ben White, Bissouma and Cucurella, they are not short on suitors.

Barber (left) said: "There has certainly been a huge amount of interest and I'm not surprised.

"Partly because over the last three years, probably since we joined the Premier League actually, the club's profile has changed significantly."

"It's the style of football we have been playing that has meant we have won a lot of admirers over the last few years."

"As a consequence of that we have attracted a lot of interest already that perhaps we wouldn't have done maybe three years ago, let alone five or ten."

Billy will cope with gaffer exit

BILLY GILMOUR has been backed to take Graham Potter's surprise exit in his stride.

However, Brighton chief executive Paul Barber admitted the situation is "not ideal".

The Scotland midfielder (right), 21, joined from Chelsea for £9million on deadline day and was excited at the prospect of working with Potter.

Just a week later Potter was appointed Chelsea boss after Thomas Tuchel got the axe.

Asked

By JACK ROSSER

about the situation, Barber said: "It isn't ideal, far from ideal."

"But my experience of working with professional footballers for the last 25 years is that they are resilient and pragmatic."

"My limited experience of talking to Billy is that he is a very calm and very mature young man."

"He has been around football all his life and I'm sure he will take this in his stride."

BLUES BOSS GETS GOING

THE POTT THICKENS

Graham: Taking risks helps me grow

GRAHAM POTTER says "life is about taking risks" as he prepares for his debut as Chelsea boss.

The 47-year-old completed his switch to the Blues from Brighton on a five-year deal last Thursday – just 24 hours after the sacking of Thomas Tuchel.

Potter is the eighth permanent appointment at Stamford Bridge in just over a decade and the first under new American owner Todd Boehly.

After a torrid start to the season, Potter needs to quickly reinvigorate the squad – starting in the Champions League at home to Austria's RB Salzburg tomorrow night.

His coaching career has so far seen him spend time in Sweden with Ostersunds, before making the jump to the Championship with Swansea and then the Premier League with Brighton.

Potter said: "Life is about taking risks and doing something which is a bit outside of what you are comfortable with."

"It allows you to grow and develop. I had a young family and they gave up a lot to come over to Sweden. It wasn't exactly Barcelona or Monte Carlo."

"When I took over at Brighton the team had just finished fourth from bottom."

"The remit was to bring the age of the squad down, change the playing style and to align the recruitment with winning matches in the Premier League."

"I will be forever thankful and grateful for those experiences I had. It

POINTERS... boss Potter talks with Reece James

By JORDAN DAVIES

made me a better person and better coach. It is part of what made me who I am today."

"You learn a lot about what you can deal with, about the ups and downs, about how you have to take responsibility, especially when things aren't going well."

"We can use those experiences in a really good way."

The magnitude of the challenge for Potter would have sunk in while walking around Blues' Cobham training ground.

On one particular wall is a collage of every trophy won in recent years, from the Champions League under predecessor Tuchel in 2021, the FA Cup under Antonio Conte in 2018 and the Premier League with Jose Mourinho in 2015.

Potter, 47, added: "It is the start of a really exciting period."

"A new ownership I was really impressed by, firstly as people and then by their vision for the club and what they wanted to do."

"The history of the club speaks for

itself. It is about trying to create that in our own way."

"But you only have to walk around the place and you see the pictures and the trophies, the names. It is incredible."

"It is a huge honour for me to be a part of that now."

"My career has gone forward. I had a great time in Sweden and back in the UK I have had fantastic experiences. It is nice to be able to take the next step."

"It's a fantastic opportunity for me to work with an exciting group of players that we have here, compete at the top and try to create a winning team."

"If you want to talk about how you can keep your message going forward and how to convince people you are on the right path, it is winning."

"My starting point will always be with the person first."

"You have to understand that they are human beings, understand what motivates them and what they like as people."

"From that, you try to come to some common ground to try to build relationships, try to communicate effectively on a daily basis and build respect, build trust, build honesty."

Meanwhile, Blues winger Hakim Ziyech, 29, has been handed a World Cup lifeline by Morocco a year after being ditched by former boss Vahid Halilhodzic, who accused him of arriving late for games and refusing to play.

New coach Walid Regragui has included Ziyech in his first squad for warm-ups against Chile and Paraguay later this month.



CHELSEA'S TROPHIES SINCE ABRAMOVICH TAKEOVER IN 2003

Trophy	No.
Premier League	5
FA Cup	5
League Cup	3
Champions League	2
Europa League	2
Uefa Super Cup	1
Club World Cup	1

...AND WHAT POTTER HAS WON

Swedish Cup	1
Swedish 2nd tier	1
Swedish 3rd tier	1



ARTETA... noon kick-off

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the United Kingdom at locations and events of high significance".

The call-offs mean Leeds, Brighton and Palace will now go an entire month without playing a game.

And the Prem said: "Following extensive consultation with clubs, police, local Safety Advisory Groups and other relevant authorities, there was no other option but to postpone the three fixtures."

It leaves League bosses with an additional fixture pile-up to contend with — although it could have been even worse.

With Aston Villa against Southampton and Nottingham Forest versus Fulham staying as Friday night games, there will now be three matches on Saturday and two on Sunday.

Kick-off times for the Saturday games at Wolves (12.30), Newcastle (3pm) and Spurs (5.30pm) have not been changed.

But Brentford v Arsenal on Sunday, which had been under threat, will now start two hours earlier than scheduled, at noon.

Everton against West Ham is pushed back to 2.15pm and will be shown on Sky Sports, with the trip to Brentford by Mikel Arteta's Gunners already listed to be on the box.

Earlier yesterday, the FA cleared tonight's Champions League game between Liverpool and Ajax, plus the six Championship matches and the full programme in Leagues One and Two to go ahead.

Tomorrow's Champions League games at Chelsea and Manchester City are also on but the competition anthem will not be played before kick-off.

But the postponement of Arsenal's game with Dutch side PSV leaves Uefa and the clubs scrambling to find a new date — and the possibility that the Gunners may have to forfeit a 3-0 defeat.

The congested fixture list and Qatar 2022 means that unless it is squeezed in next month, the Euro tie may not be played before early January — two months after the November 7 draw for the knockout phase.

PREM FIXTURES

Aston Villa v Southampton (8pm)

Nottingham Forest v Fulham (8pm)

Wolves v Man City (12.30pm)

Newcastle v Bournemouth (3pm)

Spurs v Leicester (5.30pm)

Brentford v Arsenal (12pm)

Everton v West Ham (2.15pm)

Brighton v Crystal Palace

Man Utd v Leeds

Chelsea v Liverpool

EFL fixtures on as planned

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

POSTPONED SUNDAY

SPORTING v SPURS

5.45pm,
BT Sport 3 &
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LEWANDOWSKI

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B Munich v **C** Barcelona
8pm, BT Sport 4

By WILL PUGH

BAYERN MUNICH manager Julian Nagelsmann will wait before deciding who will do battle with Robert Lewandowski tonight.

Lewandowski left Bayern for Barcelona in a £42.5million switch after scoring 344 goals in 375 games during eight years with the Bundesliga giants.

And the striker returns to his former club in a mouthwatering Clash.

Nagelsmann has Dayot Upamecano, Matthijs de Ligt and Lucas Hernandez to choose from.

He said: "I am certain on many positions but not central defence yet."

"Upa has more duels against Lewi in the Bundesliga. He always defended well against him but I have not decided."

Lewandowski, 34, last week became the first player ever to score a Champions League hat-trick for three different clubs when Barca thrashed Viktoria Plzen.



FODEN... determined

**Medal will
Phil gap**

By MARTIN BLACKBURN

PHIL FODEN wants the Champions League trophy to complete his booming medal collection — and write Manchester City's name into history.

The attacker, 22, has four Prem gongs as well as both domestic cups to his name.

But the big one is missing from his cabinet despite going agonisingly close two years running.

City host Borussia Dortmund tomorrow and Foden said: "It's just one medal that I'm missing, the Champions League."

"Hopefully, we can win because it's very important to win the Champions League and put City's name in history as well."

"I obviously grew up in the academy. So if we won it, it would be a little bit extra special for me."

Defender Aymeric Laporte gave City a boost by returning to training after knee surgery in July.

• PHIL FODEN was speaking as a global brand ambassador for TCL. #InspireGreatness TCL Global.



THUMBS UP...
boss Conte takes
training yesterday
after his visit to
Buckingham Palace

By TOM BARCLAY

ANTONIO CONTE revealed he paid his own respects to the Queen with a visit to lay flowers at Buckingham Palace.

The Tottenham boss attended the late monarch's home the day after her death with his brother, Daniele, wearing a hat to blend in with the crowd.

He felt it was important to 'live this sad but special moment' to mark Her Majesty's passing.

Speaking ahead of tonight's Champions League clash against Sporting Lisbon in Portugal, Conte said: "What happened in the last few days in England is something extraordinary."

"Honestly, on Thursday, we were all sad because we are talking about a person whose service for this country was outstanding."

"On Friday, I went to Buckingham Palace like a normal person, because I am a normal person!"

"I did it with a hat on to live this situation because I think for sure we will remember this for the rest of our lives."

"To stay here in this moment and to live this moment here is for sure a sad moment — but at the same time it is a special moment because we are talking about the death of the Queen."

"She was 96 years old and honestly, for me, it was very difficult to believe she was dead, because in your mind you think the Queen was immortal."

"To live this situation in London, in this specific moment, for sure I will keep this in my heart, in my mind for the rest of my life."

The Italian said it was right that

Premier League chiefs made the "important decision" to stop football last weekend to show respect to Her Majesty.

Spurs will pay tribute by holding a minute's silence and wearing black armbands in Lisbon.

Conte admitted not playing against Manchester City on Saturday has helped his side recover physically after a run of four games in 11 days.

And it means he may not rotate his side as much as he had planned — with Richarlison's hot form meaning one of Dejan Kulusevski or Son Heung-min will be benched.

Considering dropping them would have seemed crazy last season but Conte feels it shows how far his team

have come. He said: "I think that when you try to build something important, when you try to build something with ambition and try to be competitive and fight to win, you have to change old habits."

"Otherwise it means you want to stay in balance and it means you don't want to have ambition."

"For this reason all the players have to accept the rotation, especially up front — we have four players."

"It's very difficult right now to drop one of these four players but I have to make the best decision for the team, also for the players."

"For sure I'm here to try to change the old habit."

"The old habit was that the players were used to playing in every game."

"What happened in this type of situation is that you don't have great possibilities to win."

Tottenham will face former player Marcus Edwards in Lisbon this evening — once likened to Argentine legend Lionel Messi by then Spurs manager Mauricio Pochettino.

The winger, 23, left on a free transfer in 2019 for Portuguese side Vitoria de Guimaraes, before joining Sporting in January. He has three goals and three assists in seven games this term.

Sporting boss Ruben Amorim said: "He has so much talent. He can get much better. He can even get to the English national team."

"He has to focus more on training and all that is around it."

"Football is not just matches, it's everything in between."

"I trust him a lot. I know he can grow a lot."

GROUP D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Sporting	1	1	0	3	3	3	
Tottenham	1	1	0	2	0	3	
Marseille	1	0	1	0	2	0	
E Frankfurt	1	0	1	0	3	0	

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE



ROBERTSON ... out

Robbo's latest on crock list

By CHARLIE WYETT

ANDY ROBERTSON has given Liverpool another crushing injury blow.

The Scotland defender picked up a knee injury at the end of the 4-1 loss at Napoli and will not return until October after the international break.

Robertson, 28, joins midfielders Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain, Naby Keita, Jordan Henderson, Curtis Jones, centre-back Ibrahima Konate and goalkeeper Caoimhin Kelleher on the sidelines.

But Kop midfielder Fabio Carvalho could return against Ajax tonight after he sustained a dead leg in the derby draw with Everton ten days ago.

Boss Jürgen Klopp, who will start left-back Kostas Tsimikas this evening, said: "Robbo is not 100 per cent."

"He picked it up very late and felt it the next day. He is out at least until after the international break."

Joel Matip has been hampered by a groin problem and was a sub for the last two matches, while captain Henderson is nursing a muscle injury.

Matip, though, will replace Joe Gomez in the heart of the Liverpool defence tonight.

Gomez suffered a nightmare in Naples and was replaced at half-time.

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had died. Asked about tonight's minute's silence at Anfield, Klopp said: "I think it is the right thing to do but I don't think our people need any advice from me for showing respect."

"There are plenty of examples where our people showed exactly the right respect."

"One which surprised me — and I was really proud of it — was when we played Man United around a very sad situation around Cristiano Ronaldo's family."

"It is clear, that is what we have to do. I am 55 and she is the only Queen of England I have known."

"I didn't know her but you can see she was a really warm, nice lady and that's all I need to know."

Liverpool lost their Champions League opener 4-1 at Napoli, then had Saturday's visit of Wolves postponed due to the death of the Queen.

Klopp said: "It did not happen and we respect that. We used the time to analyse the Napoli game."

SEE NAPLES AND CRY

Klopp: Video nasty a painful 'truth'

JÜRGEN KLOPP has pored over every fine detail of the "worst" performance of his Liverpool reign.

The German, closing in on his seventh anniversary at the club, forced the entire squad to watch a brutal video of last week's 4-1 thumping away to Napoli.

Klopp staged lengthy team meetings, urging the beleaguered squad to start defending better.

And the Anfield boss, preparing for tonight's tricky Champions League home clash with Ajax, also held one-on-one chats with some of the biggest offenders from a woeful night in southern Italy.

The Reds face a pumped-up Ajax who have overcome the loss of Erik ten Hag and a number of key players by rattling off seven successive wins.

In contrast, with two wins from seven games, Liverpool are suffering a crisis of confidence.

Klopp concedes that if he was looking in from the outside, he too would be questioning the manager, along with the players.

He said: "We have had four or five days now of absolute truth."

"Not to knock the players down, just to make sure this is the starting point for us to sort the problems together on the pitch. No pointing at each other."

"I have to do something, I cannot sit there and wait to see how we react. Is this a situation I wanted?"

By CHARLIE WYETT

No. But now we are in it. I rather find it interesting, challenging. "A lot of good things happened in the past and this team showed incredible consistency over a long period.

"I know how this business works. After Napoli, I didn't read a word — maybe ten words — about what has been said about us.

"Most of the things were probably fair. Maybe not right but that is OK.

"You are not inside. If I was outside, if I watched it back, I would have asked a lot of questions about the people, the manager and the specific players.

"So, for this game, we have to show a reaction and we have to train."

Incredibly, Klopp claims the loss to Napoli was worse than the 7-2 battering Liverpool suffered at Aston Villa in October 2020. After a few lively days at the training ground, Klopp

added: "I have had lots of thoughts. Meeting with the players, I watched it back plenty of times and it was a real horror show, so we showed the boys the situation as well but they knew and seeing it again made it obvious.

"It was the worst game we had played since I was here and we played a few bad games, from Villa and some others when we were just not up to speed but there were glimpses of us even in those games.

"In this particular game — nothing. We chaired a meeting and we did not need to say a lot but I did anyway. Individual talks happened.

"Against Napoli, we got ourselves into a situation and could not react any more.

"When James Milner arrives too late for challenges and loses challenges we would usually win, you know something is wrong.

"We had obvious football problems. I know the players want to solve the situation and are not over the moon about our situation."

Klopp, who has suffered another

injury blow with the loss of left-back Andy Robertson, needs the team to remember how they played last season, when they went close to winning an unprecedented Quadruple.

He said: "How can you get confidence? It is by winning challenges."

"If you take specific things for granted, it is a mistake."

"We have to start with defending the goal and we have to give ourselves a chance to celebrate a challenge again."

"If you do that, you can get some momentum but there is no good game where a team played well offensively but defensively were a shambles. It does not work like this."

"Obviously we have to show a reaction. Definitely. That does not guarantee a result against Ajax."

"They are pretty much in the opposite situation. They have won all of their games."

"We have to make sure we play completely different to what we did in Napoli and see what we can get."

"We have to defend much better. It does not mean we won't make mistakes because that is still possible."

Liverpool's game at home to Wolves last Saturday was cancelled because of the death of the Queen.

This ensured a gap of six days between matches and Klopp was asked whether this meant the team would lose rhythm by having a blank weekend.

Laughing, Klopp said: "We have no rhythm. We played a really bad game."

"Losing this rhythm would be really cool."

BIGGEST DEFEATS UNDER KLOPP

Oct 2020	A Villa (a)	L	7-2
Sep 2017	Man City (o)	L	5-0
Jul 2020	(a) Man City (a)	L	4-0
Feb 2021	(a) Man City (h)	L	4-1
Sep 2022	Napoli (a)	L	4-1
Oct 2017	Tottenham (a)	L	4-1

GROUP A

	P	W	D	L	F	APts
Ajax	1	1	0	0	4	3
Napoli	1	1	0	0	4	3
Liverpool	1	0	0	1	4	0
Rangers	1	0	0	1	0	0

LIVERPOOL v AJAX

8pm,
BT Sport 2



Schreud move to copy pal

By CHARLIE WYETT

AJAX manager Alfred Schreuder hopes to copy the achievements of his mate Erik ten Hag against Liverpool tonight.

Ten Hag, who quit the Amsterdam club in the summer, helped new team Manchester United beat the Scousers last month.

And now Schreuder, 49, who has arrived from Club Brugge, also hopes to topple Jürgen Klopp's Reds.

The Dutchman, Ten Hag's assistant for 18 months before joining Hoffenheim in 2019, said: "I have looked at the United match and what they did. There are certain things they did that are applicable to us.

"You have to be good with the ball against these kinds of teams. You need to have guts and courage.

"Courage is key. If you have that, then you have a chance."

Schreuder fears a Liverpool backlash after their 4-1 loss in Napoli.

He said: "We expect to go into a storm — but we are also good."

Ajax, who reached the Champions League semi-final in 2019 and the last 16 last season, are top of the Dutch league and have kept clean sheets in each of their last five games.

Schreuder added: "Ajax have shown in the last years we can compete at this level.

"We also signed a few players and some young players have come in. It gives us new energy."

Joel not fourlorn

JOEL MATIP has refused to blame jaded Liverpool's Quadruple bid last season for their dodgy start.

Jürgen Klopp's team played 63 games last term, the maximum number possible, as they chased glory on four fronts.

Defender Matip said: "I don't want to make any excuses. At Liverpool, you want to play as many games as possible."

"It is not always comfortable playing this number of games, especially as an international player but we try to face it."

Matip, 31, is set to face Ajax tonight and make his first start since the opener against Fulham following a groin issue.

He added: "I played 45 minutes in the last game and feel good. There was a big focus on defending as this is the biggest thing to get success."



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Scary Stokes

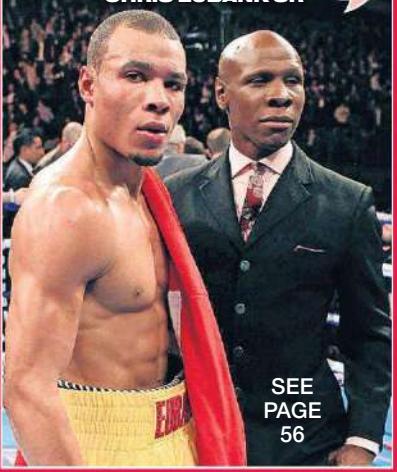
By JOHN ETHERIDGE

BEN STOKES warned the Aussies that England have the talent to become a "scary" team by next summer's Ashes. After England's **SIXTH** test win of the summer, Stokes said: "It's scary to think where things could go, especially with the ball. And with

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I can't lose another son, call fight off

- CHRIS EUBANK SR



RESTING . . .
Erik ten Hag's
United will
not play this
weekend



FOOTBALL IS ON

But Chelsea-Liv, Man U-Leeds off

PREMIER LEAGUE
football WILL
return this
weekend — but
the two biggest
games are off.

Chelsea's home
clash with Liver-
pool and Man-
chester United's
match against Leeds
were both postponed
owing to police
resources being stretched in
the lead-up to the

By MARTIN LIPTON

Queen's funeral. Last night's decision came hours after Uefa pulled the plug on Arsenal's Europa League tie with PSV Eindhoven, citing "severe limitations on police resources and organisational issues" relating to Monday's state funeral. That sparked fears the Prem programme would be significantly impacted by demands on the police.

But after a day of talks

between the authorities, Prem chiefs announced seven matches due to be played this weekend would take place, though Brighton's game with Crystal Palace – postponed because of a rail strike now not going ahead – remains off.

There was shock among fans that United's game was called off but the club said it was because the Greater Manchester Police are "supporting forces across

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GAME TO HONOUR QUEEN

DO US PROUD AGAIN



DEEP IN THOUGHT
... boss Klopp takes
Liverpool training
session yesterday

**Klopp: Fans will
shine...just like
Ronaldo tribute**

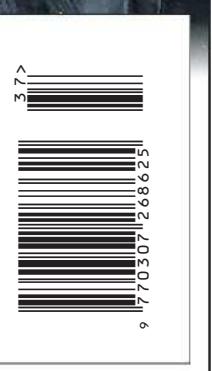


By CHARLIE WYETT

JURGEN KLOPP believes Liverpool fans will respect a minute's silence for the Queen before tonight's Champions League clash with Ajax. Reds supporters booed God Save the Queen before last season's FA Cup final and the Community Shield in July.

But boss Klopp pointed to fans giving a minute's applause and singing You'll Never Walk Alone in support of Cristiano Ronaldo at April's 4-0 home win over Manchester United – after it was announced the star's newborn son

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A LIFE HAPPY & GLORIOUS

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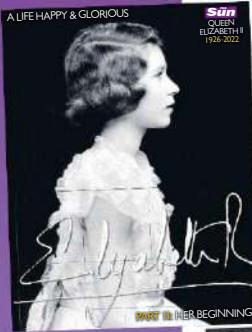
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ELIZABETH II
1926-2022



Elizabeth

A LIFE HAPPY & GLORIOUS

PART II: HER BEGINNINGS



COVER IMAGE:

Princess Elizabeth aged 12 in 1939 in a portrait by Marcus Adams, a celebrated children's photographer.

He took pictures of the young royals for 30 years – from Elizabeth and her sister Margaret to Prince Charles and Princess Anne.

Adams believed that 'photography is 95 per cent psychology and five per cent mechanical' and designed The Children's Studio with no visible cameras, tripods or dazzling lights. Instead, he built a special camera resembling a toy cabinet.

His aim was to create a 'bright and very happy play room' with toys and other distractions, in which young sitters would feel fully at ease.

The results were remarkable. The rich and famous brought their children to his studio in London's Mayfair down several generations.

Adams' adult subjects included the Queen Mother, Agatha Christie and A.A. Milne.



EARLY OUTING ...
King George V points his
cane as a nanny pushes
Elizabeth in pram at a fete
at Balmoral Castle in 1926



GRAND DAUGHTER
... aged 14 months with King
George V and Queen Mary,
left, her parents, and maternal
grandparents, the Earl and
Countess of Strathmore

A little darling, a new level of joy



MATTHEW DENNISON

QUEEN Mary took the news well when she was told that her new grandchild was a girl. "The sex, mercifully in this case, does not matter," she wrote in a letter.

Princess Elizabeth Alexandra Mary of York was never expected to reign. But in fact that tiny baby with her cowlicks of pale hair was destined for a level of fame that eclipsed that of the great rulers of history.

Her image would imprint coins, stamps and even the nation's dreams.

At the time, her arrival at 2.40am on April 21, 1926, was not momentous news. Officially, of course, she was born third in line to the throne behind her uncle the Prince of Wales and her father Bertie. But as the dynastically minded Queen Mary – formidable wife of George V – recognised, the baby Princess was virtually certain to be supplanted by a child of the still-unmarried Prince of Wales, or a son born subsequently to her parents.

After all, her mother Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon was only 25. There was plenty of time for a boy.

And this meant that with no great destiny looming to worry about, the new young parents could get on with just falling in love with their firstborn. For Bertie and Elizabeth – "such a sweet little couple and so fond of one another" – their daughter's birth brought a new level of joy into an already happy marriage.

And Bertie had not been alone in his vigil before the birth in the tall house in Bruton Street, Mayfair – he was joined by Home Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks.

Custom demanded that a member of the government attend the event.

Unlike the proud new father, an exhausted Joynson-Hicks griped at this out-of-hours imposition.

Bertie had met Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon in 1920 and they were married in April 1923.

She was the daughter of the Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorne, and the choice of a non-royal wife was considered rather modern at the time.

The couple, now the Duke and Duchess of York, moved into her parents' London townhouse at 17 Bruton St, and that is where Elizabeth was born by caesarean section.

Messengers conveyed the news to the King and Queen, while a telegram was despatched to the Prince of Wales in Biarritz.

Queen Mary and George V arrived at Bruton St on that afternoon to meet the new arrival.

In her diary that night, the Queen described her first granddaughter as "a little darling with a lovely complexion and pretty fair hair".

The christening took place in the private chapel at Buckingham Palace on May 29. Queen Mary noted afterwards: "Of course poor baby cried."

THAT same month, the first images of the Princess were released to the Press, with two photos also made available as postcards.

Then, at seven months old, Elizabeth suffered the usual fate of royal babies – being left at home while her parents set off on a foreign tour, in this case to Australia.

But she seems to have enjoyed her time staying with her grandparents on both sides.

She was reported to amuse herself by "pulling handfuls of fluff" out of the thick coats of family dogs, and by "giving shrieks of delight at each dog she saw" on car journeys.

When the Duke and Duchess finally got back to London, they moved into their first family home of their own at 145 Piccadilly.

Described at the time as "incongruously modest", it did have, as an estate agency noted, "about 25 bedrooms".

Elizabeth would live there until she was nearly 11 years old.

The new house was next to Hyde Park and Elizabeth's outings there with her nurse were greeted with huge public interest.

One American columnist described how "she lifts up her little hand" to greet the crowds. A long career of waving had begun.

Her every move featured in the Press, too. Nothing in her life was too trivial for publication – her appearance, car sickness, taste for toffee or enjoyment of splashing in puddles.

It was a new age for royal children. As Elizabeth's uncle the Prince of Wales, known to the family as David, realised, his generation had had a different start to life.

He noted: "Because our likenesses seldom appeared in the Press, we were not often recognised on the street."

Now postcards, cinema newsreels and, above all, photographs in newspapers and magazines lessened Elizabeth's chances of anonymity.

By the age of four the Princess had even inspired a new exhibit at Madame Tussauds, seen astride a model of new Shetland pony Peggy.

This was also the year Elizabeth got a sibling. If it had been a boy, he would have supplanted her place as third in line to the throne.

But the baby, born on August 21, 1930, was of course a girl, who was named Margaret Rose.

This time, the Duke expressed his disappointment, writing to his wife: "I would have liked a boy and you would too, I know."

It pointed to the couple's tentative awareness of the possibility that responsibility for the next royal generation lay with them.



NEW ERA... 1929 postcard of Princess with King George V and Queen Mary. Below: Aged two



Elizabeth

A LIFE HAPPY & GLORIOUS

PART II: HER BEGINNINGS



NIECE TO SEE YOU
...with 'Uncle David',
Edward VIII, at Balmoral
in September 1933



CLOSE...
with sister
Margaret
in 1938

As his brother and sister-in-law welcomed their second child, Margaret, into the world, the 36-year-old playboy Prince of Wales appeared no closer to marriage.

And neither the Duke nor Duchess of York had forgotten a conversation with the King the previous year, in which Bertie had been told by his father: "You'll see, your brother will never become King."

From the outset, Queen Mary noted, Elizabeth had been "enchanted" by her baby sister.

Meanwhile, the Princess's schooling had begun, with lessons in reading, spelling and counting from her nurse Clara Knight.

And as proof of how up-to-date the royal nursery was, a set of Lingraphone gramophone records provided Elizabeth's instruction in French.

She also took piano lessons, and reportedly did well – although she was less successful with



MATTHEW DENNISON

a miniature set of bagpipes. Then, when Elizabeth was five, governess Marion "Crawfie" Crawford arrived in her life.

Crawfie's challenge was to fit elements of a rudimentary education into the relatively small number of hours the Duchess allowed her.

Sacrosanct in Elizabeth's days was the time mother, father and two daughters spent together: A post-breakfast romp in the Duchess's bedroom, playing cards after tea, bathtime, nursery games including pillow fights, then bedtime with its ritual of story-reading.

But in the two-and-a-half to three hours available to her each morning, Crawfie instructed Elizabeth in history, literature and arithmetic. The governess also introduced innovations including outdoor play, where the

neat little girl and her sister would be encouraged to get messy with games of hide-and-seek, sardines and "Red Indians" in shrubberies grubby with London soot.

The Princess was blissfully unaware of the tensions that were gaining strength at the heart of the Royal Family.

By the end of 1934, the Prince of Wales, her Uncle David, was head-over-heels in love with "a jolly, plain, intelligent, quiet, unpretentious and unprepossessing little woman" by the name of Wallis Simpson. She was already married.

In the midst of these concerns, Elizabeth suffered her first great loss when on January 20, 1936, her grandfather George V died aged 70.

She and the King, who she dubbed "Old Man Kind", had shared a special bond.

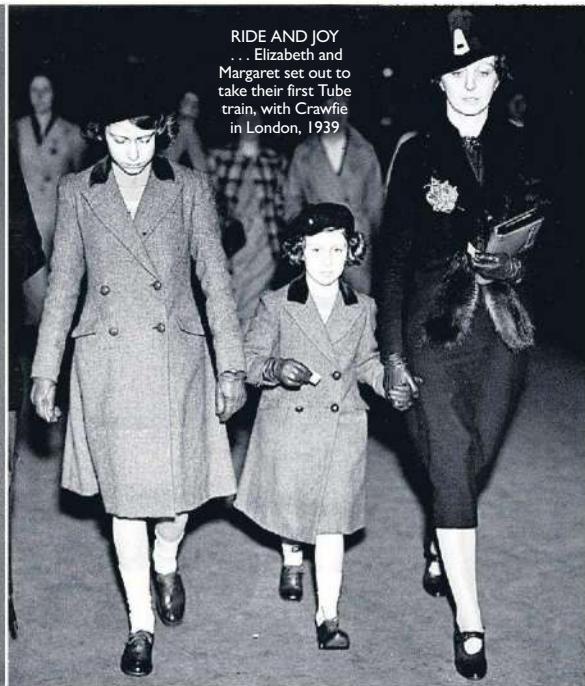
The pair even reputedly had an arrangement: Every morning, at an agreed time, at the nursery window of 145 Piccadilly, Elizabeth waved a white handkerchief in the direction of Buckingham Palace. There, her grandfather would stand beside a window, watching for her greeting.

After the death of George V, the Press reminded readers that the little girl had taken



PLAYTIME...
at her treasured
'Little House' in
Royal Lodge,
Windsor, 1933

RIDE AND JOY
...Elizabeth and
Margaret set out to
take their first Tube
train, with Crawfie
in London, 1939



another step closer to the throne, given the bachelorhood of David, now Edward VIII.

But the Yorks continued to shelter Elizabeth from speculation about her future – and about the growing disquiet over the relationship between the new King and his American mistress Mrs Simpson.

The socialite had divorced her first husband in 1927 and was now in the process of divorcing her second.

In November 1936, King Edward informed Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin that he intended to marry his lover when this divorce was finalised.

The PM pointed out that marriage after divorce was opposed by the Church of England, of which the King was the Supreme Governor. He was told his subjects would never stand for the marriage.

So rather than give up his love, on December 10 Edward VIII signed his abdication.

The relinquishment became the Windsors' cautionary tale of private inclination overwhelming public duty.

Ten-year-old Elizabeth learned what had

happened from a footman: Her father Bertie was now King, to be known as George VI. In the nursery, Elizabeth told Margaret what had happened.

Her sister asked: "Does that mean that you will have to be the next queen?"

Elizabeth responded: "Yes, some day."

Margaret said: "Poor you."

HER father's own first response to his altered state had been to weep on Queen Mary's shoulder.

Although speech therapy had circumvented the worst of his stammer, public speaking frightened him. He lacked star quality, too. By contrast, Elizabeth appeared to have been endowed with every quality of a princess.

She was a beautiful child, her hair still flecked with gold, with an infectious zest for life, innate dignity and, in the eyes of many, all the magnetism her father so

conspicuously missed. Bertie's coronation as George VI – he had taken his father's name to give a sense of continuity to the shaken country – took place at Westminster Abbey on May 12, 1937. Eleven-year-old Elizabeth was in attendance and later noted how she glimpsed a "haze of wonder" covering the arches and beams of the roof at the moment of the King's crowning.

But she also paid close attention to her father's coronation speech on the radio, when the new King told his subjects: "The highest of distinctions is the service of others."

Meanwhile, Queen Mary embarked on a project to educate the Princess for her future role with a programme of genealogical and dynastic history and Bible-reading.

There were also visits on Monday afternoons to historic sites such as the Royal Mint and Hampton Court Palace.

Queen Mary described these expeditions as "instructive amusements". Princess Margaret remembered the sisters being left "absolutely exhausted by hours on end of walking and

standing in museums and galleries." Many years later, Elizabeth would note: "Our grandmother taught us to stand. We're used to it."

Their respite was always at Royal Lodge, the private retreat at Windsor where as many weekends as possible were spent.

There, the spirit of the family's former lives could be rekindled. Crawfie wrote: "Court etiquette was forgotten, and ceremony left behind. We were just a family again."

But amid the fun, Elizabeth was doing her best to teach her little sister how to behave in their new positions.

Crawfie recorded Elizabeth's solemn instructions for garden parties: "If you do see someone with a funny hat...you must not point at it and laugh."

Meanwhile the King had started to discuss current affairs with his daughter, especially the growing imminence of war.

He saw it as part of his training of her as heir.

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ELEANOR SRAWSON

WHEN a young Elizabeth played dress-up, there was no fun in decking herself out as a princess.

So when she had the chance to get into costume, she would opt for something like a seaside bathing belle or a cleaner.

These were some of the roles she played in pantomimes put on at Windsor Castle each Christmas from 1940 to 1944.

Helped to raise money for the war effort, they starred Elizabeth, her sister Margaret and other children of the castle community as well as young evacuees.

The audience was mostly made up of proud parents, but on occasion someone more exciting showed up, such as in 1943 when a young Prince Philip took a seat in the front row.

He got to see his future wife, then 17, dressed in breeches and silk stockings in the title role of Aladdin.

The costume and some of the other outfits worn in the productions were put on display at Windsor Castle in November 2021.

These included a chintz bathing beauty outfit and a long-sleeved pink satin and layered lace dress worn by Elizabeth for her role as Lady Christina Sherwood in 1944's Old Mother Red Riding Boots.

Some of the costumes on show had not been seen since their moments on stage seven decades earlier, including the "utility shorts and top" the heir to the throne wore for a tap-dancing scene in Aladdin.

That same production also saw Elizabeth appear as a "charlady" in an apron of sackcloth – to great acclaim, according to a newspaper of the day.

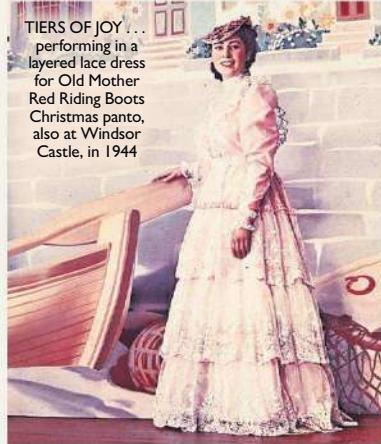
It declared: "From the moment Princess Elizabeth popped out of a laundry basket, the King and Queen and the audience of 400 laughed and thoroughly enjoyed the show."

One of Elizabeth's biggest laughs that year, it was reported, came when Widow Twankey announced: "There's a large copper in the kitchen." The Princess brought the house down with her reply: "We'll soon get rid of him!"

The other pantomimes put on throughout the annual wartime tradition were The Christmas Child, Cinderella and Sleeping Beauty.

And they all had a lasting impact.

Years later, after becoming Queen, Elizabeth recalled: "How thankful I am too for those pantomimes. They taught me so much about speaking in public."



TIERS OF JOY ...

Performing in a layered lace dress for Old Mother Red Riding Boots Christmas panto, also at Windsor Castle, in 1944

SHE was growing up. And then, on July 22, 1939, at the age of 13, she fell in love.

The object of her admiration was a royal exile five years her senior, a fair-haired boy, rather like a Viking, with a sharp face and piercing blue eyes.

He was Prince Philip of Greece and Denmark and, like Elizabeth a great-great-grandchild of Queen Victoria.

The Royal Family was on a visit to the Royal Naval College in Dartmouth, and the young naval cadet was put in charge of entertaining the Princesses while their father conducted an inspection.

After playing with them with a train set and eating ginger biscuits, the energetic Prince suggested they watch him on the tennis court.

There, he showed off by jumping over the net, and Crawfie noted of Elizabeth: "She never took her eyes off him the whole time." The young Princess later

marvelled to her governess: "How good he is, Crawfie. How high he can jump." Elizabeth would later confirm in her father's official biography that she had been in love with Philip "from their first meeting".

After war was declared and Philip began his wartime naval service, he and Elizabeth would write to one another, and Philip spent his time on leave with the Royal Family.

Elizabeth and Margaret had been at a service at Crathie church near Balmoral when Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain announced on September 3, 1939, that Britain was at war with Germany.

After Christmas, Elizabeth and Margaret moved to Windsor, which was deemed far safer than London.

The Princesses' contributions to the

war effort were assiduous, including giving presents to evacuated French children to the Over-Seas League to supply servicemen with.

Even Elizabeth's 14th birthday in 1940 conformed to the spirit of cheerfulness: Her was a plain sponge, with

Over the course of 1941, as the war escalated, the King and Queen frequently at Windsor, staying at the castle, although Standard flew at Buckingham Palace to maintain the reassurance of their presence in the capital.

Meanwhile Elizabeth were "no longer... allow in public for reasons of own safety".

Still, a suggestion that



should spend the war in Canada like members of the Dutch and Norwegian royal families was firmly rebuffed by the Queen.

Instead, an air raid shelter was built under Windsor Castle's Brunswick Tower, with reinforced walls and a 4ft-thick roof of concrete and girders.

Then in October, with the Blitz under way, Elizabeth made her first radio broadcast, on the BBC Children's Hour.

The speech, transmitted across the world, addressed the children sent away from their families to safety.

Elizabeth spoke to them as one who knew "from experience what it means to be away from those you love most of all." It was triumph.

That Christmas, the sisters appeared in the castle's nativity play, with Elizabeth playing the part of a king. In the audience, her father wept throughout.

In February 1942, he gave his daughter an early 16th birthday present, appointing her Colonel of the Grenadier Guards.

Elizabeth inspected the regiment for the first time on her birthday.

A newspaper reporter detected "no

sign of nervousness, while Elizabeth herself described the experience as "a bit frightening...but not as bad as I expected it to be."

Meanwhile, she was relishing every visit Philip made to the family on his wartime leave.

By September 1942 she was writing to Crawfie that he was "The One".

Philip spent the Christmas of 1943 at Windsor. Crawfie thought 17-year-old Elizabeth "sparkled" throughout his visit like she had never done before.

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important than any possible role in ordinary national service.

Soon, she was taking her first serious steps in public life, including making speeches at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Children and on behalf of the NSPCC.

However, finally in March 1945 the King capitulated to his daughter's entreaties.

And so she began an NCO cadre course for the Auxiliary Territorial Service at No1 Mechanical Transport Training Centre in Camberley, Surrey, as Second Subaltern Elizabeth Alexandra Mary Windsor.

Looking back 50 years later, the Queen would say she had "learned a little about driving and the workings of the combustion engine and much about the strength and happiness of comradeship".

Meanwhile, when her aunt Princess Mary was scheduled to make an official visit to the training centre, the Princess wrote to Crawfie: "You've no idea what a business it has been."

"Everyone working so hard - spin and polish the whole day long. Now I realise

what must happen when Papa and Mummie go anywhere. That's something I shall never forget."

But just weeks after Elizabeth's 19th birthday, her ATS career came to an end when Britain celebrated victory in Europe.

Elizabeth wore her uniform on the balcony of Buckingham Palace to greet the joyous crowds with her family.

And that night Elizabeth and Margaret left their parents to slip out with a small group and join the celebrations beyond the palace railings.

Decades later, she remembered it as "one of the most memorable nights of my life".

The sisters escaped again the following evening. Elizabeth wrote in her diary: "Trafalgar Square, Piccadilly, Pall Mall, walked simply miles. Saw parents on balcony at 12.30am - ate, partied, bed 3am!"

On the first night, she and her sister had gone out unrecognised, but that second night, 15-year-old reveller Ronald Thomas realised who Elizabeth was. He promised he would not tell anyone, and he danced with her in Trafalgar Square.

BT her parents still did not take it seriously. In March 1944, the King wrote to his mother Elizabeth was "too young for that now".

The following month, the Princess turned 18, and clamoured to be allowed to carry out war work like many of her friends were doing.

But George VI regarded Elizabeth's training for the crown as more

TEEN QUEEN
... aged 15 in
the grounds of
Windsor Castle,
July 1941



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WAR EFFORT...
in her Auxiliary
Territorial Service
uniform in 1945

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FOR Elizabeth there was another reason to celebrate: After his heroic war service abroad, Prince Philip would be coming home.

The pair were spotted together often enough for rumours about their love and even engagement to become widespread.

But it was not until summer 1946 that he proposed, by a loch at Balmoral while he was staying with the family.

There was no public announcement.

After all, there were formalities to put in place first, including Philip's naturalisation as a British subject.

The King also wanted to keep any arrangement quiet until after the family's return from an official visit to southern Africa in early 1947.

Elizabeth was to celebrate her 21st birthday in South Africa, so the trip was a chance to put her on the world stage.

During the tour the family took great pleasure in being together after the separations of the war years.

Then, nearly three months into the journey — her first trip abroad — it was time for Elizabeth's big moment on April 21.

At 7pm she made a special radio broadcast from Cape Town. Heard by an estimated 200million people worldwide, it would become the defining speech of her life.

Although written for her by speechwriter Dermot Morrah, the broadcast was her idea.

And she and her parents had worked together to refine the speech and bring her own voice to it. In it, Elizabeth asked to be allowed to claim her place as the representative of "the youth of the British family of nations".

She expressed the love she felt for "this ancient Commonwealth" and a vision of its "powerful influence for good in the world".

Then, thrillingly, she invoked the motto borne by many of her ancestors, "I serve", and continued: "I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong."

It was a simple promise of self-sacrifice. It deeply moved not just the listeners but her parents and even Elizabeth herself, who admitted to the King's private secretary Tommy Lascelles that it had made her cry.

Meanwhile, dignitaries who were meeting the future queen at official functions on the tour were struck by her poise and dignity.

Elizabeth in fact felt less anxiety about her royal calling than about less formal social situations, when gaps in her knowledge might be exposed.

To a friend she admitted around this time: "I lie in my bath before dinner and think, 'Oh, who am I going to sit by and what are they going to talk about? I'm absolutely terrified of sitting next to people in case they talk about things I've never heard of."

Two days after her speech, the royal party departed for home, with the tour judged "an immense success".

Lascelles noted: "The most satisfactory feature of the whole business is the remarkable development of Princess Elizabeth."

In more than one sense, Elizabeth had come of age.

Months later, at midnight on July 8, Buckingham Palace announced Elizabeth's engagement to Philip.

Later that day, the newly engaged couple appeared on the balcony of Buckingham Palace to acknowledge the cheering crowds.

Post-war Britain remained in the darkest economic times, but a wedding date was set for November 20, and the green light given by Prime Minister Clement Attlee for large-scale celebrations.

As former PM Winston Churchill noted, it would be "a flash of colour on the hard road we have to travel".

On the morning of her wedding day, Elizabeth looked out of the window on to a Mall already dense with crowds.

Then she dressed, with her jewellery including the earrings Queen Mary had given her for her 21st birthday, and a tiara studded with diamonds that had belonged to Queen Victoria.

Elizabeth was driven to Westminster

Abbey in the Irish State Coach with her father, through streets "gay with flags and bunting".

Powerful emotions stirred the King. In truth he was not ready to lose this daughter.

But walking beside her into the Abbey, he found himself proud and thrilled, and marvelled at Elizabeth "so calm and composed".

Both the King and his mother Queen Mary came close to tears during the signing of the register. To the Archbishop of Canterbury, the King explained: "It is a far more moving thing to give your daughter away than to be married yourself."

Afterwards the newlyweds left for their honeymoon at Broadlands, near Romsey, Hants — the family seat of Philip's uncle Lord Louis Mountbatten.

There, Elizabeth wrote to her mother: "I think I've got the best mother and father in the world, and I only hope that I can bring up my children in the happy atmosphere of love and fairness which Margaret and I have grown up in."

The couple were soon back at Buckingham Palace, where they would remain while restorations were completed at Clarence House, which was to be their own family home.

And in April the next year the Palace announced that Elizabeth was expecting a child. She gave birth at Buckingham Palace at 9.14pm on November 14, 1948.

It was a son, and her father's press secretary commented: "I knew she'd do it! She'd never let us down."

After a month and a day, the baby was christened Charles Philip Arthur George.

Elizabeth was soon writing to her old piano teacher Mabel Lander to say: "I still find it difficult to believe I have a baby of my own." By early the next year, concerns about the King's health meant that as well as motherhood, Elizabeth was taking on more royal duties.

A lifetime of heavy smoking had hardened her father's arteries so much they were blocking the flow of blood.



At one point at this time, doctors had even feared they would have to amputate the King's right leg.

Still, nothing could dent the Princess's happiness.

In early July 1949, a year and a half after their wedding, her little family moved into Clarence House — at last they had a home of their own.

Philip had taken a keen interest in making sure its technology was up to date, including a "sleek, white, very futuristic television set".

Life settled into a routine for the 23-year-old mother: A breakfast of scones, eggs and bacon served by a footman, half an hour with Charles, time for correspondence, then a walk with her dogs in St James's Park — often in an old raincoat.

Then in the evening — engagements permitting — she would spend another hour and a half with Charles, "romping on the nursery floor, bathing him and finally tucking him up in bed".

In October 1949, following improvements in the King's health, Philip returned to full-time naval duties as First Lieutenant on a destroyer stationed at Malta.

Elizabeth regularly joined him on the island on visits, leaving Charles at home.

There, she was able to enjoy most of the freedoms of an ordinary Navy officer's wife, staying at the home of Lord Mountbatten.

Mountbatten's wife Edwina would describe seeing Elizabeth off on her homeward journeys from Malta as "like putting a bird back into a very small cage".

In retrospect, friends considered it the happiest period in the young royals' lives.

During one of those magical visits, Elizabeth became pregnant once again.

Her daughter Anne was born on August 15, 1950.

Within months, Elizabeth resumed her carefree trips to Malta.

But in mid-1951 Philip stepped down from his naval command to take up royal duties again following a sharp decline in the King's health.

A cancerous tumour had been found in the King's left lung, and within a couple of months the whole organ had to be removed.

In light of these health problems, the young couple stepped in for the King and Queen on a five-week tour of Canada that autumn.



'I serve' ...her coming of age



TOUR DE FORCE
...the 20-year-old
princess is driven
through crowds
on her visit to
South Africa

WE DO ... the official photo at Buckingham Palace after Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip's wedding, Nov 20, 1947. Guests include Queen Mary, George VI, Queen Elizabeth and, back row, Lord Mountbatten



ALL AT SEA ... Margaret and Elizabeth enjoying the sun with their father King George VI on board HMS Vanguard off southern Africa in 1947



ROYAL DUTIES
...in her office
at Buckingham
Palace, 1946

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CROWN JEWELS... Elizabeth with her ladies in waiting at Buckingham Palace after her coronation on June 2, 1953

'History's bride, anointed,

WHILE Elizabeth and Philip were away on a visit to Canada in 1951, the King decided they should also replace him on his planned four-month tour of Australia and New Zealand in the new year.

It was decided that, en route, the couple would enjoy some time in Kenya, visiting a lodge above the Sagana River that had been given to them as a wedding present.

They set out from London on January 31, waved off at the airport by the King, Queen and Princess Margaret.

After a few days in Nairobi, Elizabeth and Philip went to their lodge. And from there, late in the afternoon of February 5, the couple, with lady-in-waiting Henriette Palmer and Philip's private secretary Michael Parker, drove to a wooden treehouse in a wild fig tree in the Aberdare Forest.

The Treetops Hotel was an observation post with three bedrooms, a dining area and a viewing platform constructed alongside a lake, with a salt lick where big game came to drink.

It was a fantastical place.

As afternoon turned to evening, Elizabeth watched with fascinated absorption, filming the animals with her new cine camera for as long as the light lasted.

After heading back inside, Elizabeth happily chattered to Treetops owner Eric Sherbrooke Walker about how her father's health was improving. He later remembered: "Clearly from the tone of her conversation she was hoping for a complete recovery."

Instead, that night in the early hours of February 6, George VI died in his sleep, of a coronary thrombosis.

The circumstances of her accession, once



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known, seemed to add another fairytale detail to her already fabled existence: The young woman who climbed a tree a Princess and descended it as Queen. But she remained unaware of her altered state, cut off by the African forest from radio, phones or telegrams.

In the morning she watched the animals for the last time, then breakfasted on eggs, bacon and coffee before returning to the lodge on the Sagana River in her blue jeans.

It was the Princess's assistant private secretary Martin Charteris, staying at a nearby hotel, who first heard the news from a local journalist.

He telephoned Michael Parker at the lodge.

Parker then told Prince Philip.

Philip told Elizabeth, taking her out into the garden where they walked slowly up and down "while he talked and talked and talked to her".

Lady-in-waiting Henriette Palmer described her friend at this moment, now Queen at the age of 25, as "very magnificent and strong".

And when Charteris later asked what she was going to call herself as Queen, she replied: "My own name, of course – what else?"

She then flew back to England, where mourning for the 56-year-old King was sincere and widespread.

Yet eagerness tempered this sadness, a buoyant anticipation. As Winston Churchill – once again PM at the age of 77 – said in a radio broadcast the day after Elizabeth's return: "Famous have been the reigns of our queens. Some of the greatest periods in our history have unfolded under their sceptre."

A grieving nation, stirred by an urge to banish post-war doldrums, grasped this chance at a new age, and commentators talked of "new Elizabethans". But for the new Queen, despite her public grace and dignity, it was a time of

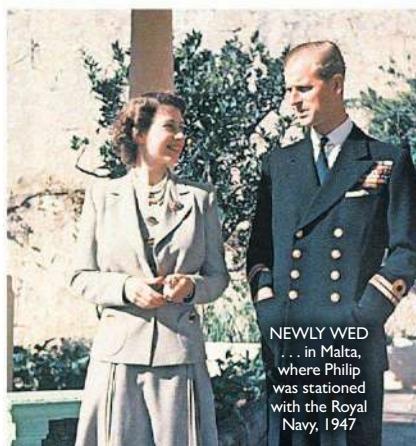
terrible pain. Philip later said that her father's death, less than a week since he had waved her off on her trip, was "the most appalling shock".

And to King Peter of Yugoslavia, the couple admitted "they felt anaesthetised".

In the first address of her reign, on February 8 at a meeting of privy councillors, Elizabeth asked for God's help in "this heavy task that has been laid upon me so early in my life".

But she also promised: "I shall always work, as my father did throughout his reign, to advance the happiness and prosperity of my peoples."

Colonial Secretary Lord Chandos described it as "one of the most touching speeches to which I have ever listened, and I, like many others, could hardly control my emotions".



NEWLY WED
... in Malta,
where Philip
was stationed
with the Royal
Navy, 1947



blessed'

February 26 the new sovereign was sitting for portraits on which to base her image on stamps, coins and banknotes.

But while she was swept up in the demands of her new position, Philip, 21-year-old Margaret and her mother – now styled the Queen Mother – were struggling to adapt to their new roles.

Margaret remembered later "an awful sense of being in a black hole". In Philip's case there were few clear duties for a male consort and, as his private secretary Mike Parker noted, he was "constantly being squashed, snubbed, ticked off, rapped over the knuckles" by courtiers. He also keenly felt the loss of his naval career.

But queenhood suited Elizabeth. She

described to a friend, with some surprise, changes in herself that she traced to her accession: "I no longer feel anxious or worried. I don't know what it is – but I have lost all my timidity".

SHE was also so conscientious about her official paperwork that her assistant private secretary Edward Ford called her "a bureaucrat's dream".

The Coronation was set for June 2, 1953, and the anticipation was astonishing.

Winston Churchill's private secretary Jock Colville wrote in his diary: "Never has there been such excitement."

As the date approached and rehearsals began in the specially refitted Westminster Abbey, crowds gathered outside to catch a glimpse of Elizabeth entering or leaving.

But much of Elizabeth's preparation happened in private.

Michael Parker's wife Eileen remembered that at Buckingham Palace, "the ballroom was marked with tape to indicate the approximate shape of Westminster Abbey.

"Household members assumed the role of the chief actors, and the Queen herself, with a sheet pinned to her shoulders, went through tiring rehearsals time and again."

the most important day in Elizabeth's royal life, its date chosen for its likelihood of sunshine, cold continuous rain cast a pall.

As guest Violet Bonham Carter – grandmother of actress Helena – noted: "The weather could not have been viler."

But nothing deterred the crowds, who watched 13,000 soldiers begin the procession, followed by royals from around the world in borrowed carriages.

Last to appear was the Queen in the remarkable golden coach made two centuries earlier for George III. A huge wave of cheering travelled with her along the route.

Arriving at the Abbey, she stepped out in a gown that designer Norman Hartnell described as "shimmering and sparkling [with] its gold, its crystal, its diamonds and the muted colours of God's rainbow."

But she wore a simple white shift for the service's most sacred moment, when she was anointed by holy oil on her hands, forehead and breast. Finally, she put on a belted golden "supertunic" to receive the royal regalia before putting on a shimmering golden cloak called the Imperial Mantle to be crowned with St Edward's Crown.

Decades later, in a poem written to mark the 60th anniversary of the Coronation, poet laureate Carol Ann Duffy would describe Elizabeth that day as "history's bride, anointed, blessed".

There is a photograph of the newly crowned Elizabeth entering Buckingham Palace at the end of the procession back from the Abbey, still carrying the orb and sceptre. She is smiling radiantly.

On her arrival she looked in on a party to which her son Charles, four, had invited children of the household.

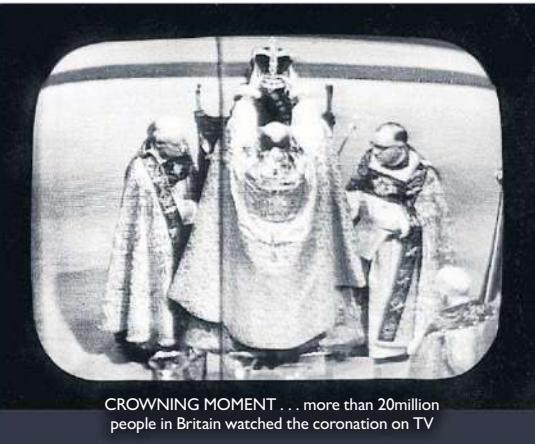
A little girl was later asked what the Queen had looked like. She answered simply: "Mummy, she sparkled." And so she did.



GLOWING...
Elizabeth in gilded state coach after being crowned



MOURNING... home from Kenya after George VI's death, Feb 1952. Winston Churchill and Clement Attlee stand on the tarmac to greet her



CROWNING MOMENT... more than 20million people in Britain watched the coronation on TV

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OUR UNDOUBTED
QUEEN ... the
coronation ceremony
at Westminster Abbey,
June 2, 1953

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—NORMAN HARTNELL ON THE
CORONATION DRESS HE DESIGNED